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# **Easter Services Line Holy Weekend**

by Dorine Kubik

Advertiser News Feature Writer

As a public service, a schedule of Agawam and Feeding Hills Church Services, Masses, and other church events are listed during Holy Week. They begin with Thursday, April 4th, and end with Easter Sunday, April 7th.

THE FEEDING HILLS BAPTIST CHURCH at 18 South Westfield Street, participated in the "Word of Life Passion Play" at Symphony Hall in Springfield on Wednesday, April 3rd.

A Sunrise Service is planned on Easter, with the Springfield Evangelical Churches at the Eastfield Mall. An Easter breakfast will take place at 8:00 a.m., at the Feeding Hills Baptist Church, with services at 10:45 a.m. A special Easter "Singspiration" will be held that evening at 6:00 p.m. The pastor is the Rev. Calvin Witham.

THE AGAWAM CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, at 745 Main Street, has announced that on Thursday, April 4th, a Tennebrae Service will begin at 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary. A "Union Good Friday Service" will be held the next evening at 7:30 p.m., including the Protestant churches of the town.

The Rev. Dr. Donald Morris of the nearby Agawam Baptist Church will deliver his sermon entitled "The Cross, An Amazing Paradox." On Easter Sunday, the Rev. Floyd C. Bryan will hold worship services at 9:00 a.m. and again at 11:00 a.m. The Junior Pilgrim Fellowship will serve a continental style breakfast that marriag from 10:00 a.m.

style breakfast that morning from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m.

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH of 760 Main Street,
Agawam, has the following with the Rev. Dr. Donald
Morris. On "Maundy" Thursday, "Agape Meal &
Observance of the Lord's Supper" is planned at 6:30
p.m.

The church will participate in the "Union Service" at the nearby Congregational Church on Good Friday, and Dr. Morris will deliver the sermon.

On Sunday, at 9:30 a.m., there will be a morning worship with a musical cantata entitled "Risen As He Said." A reception will follow for college and service age people.

Evening worship will be held at 7:00 p.m., with the "Ordinance of Believer's Baptism."

AGAWAM UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, at 459 Mill Street, Agawam, offers the following schedule with the Rev. Kyle McGaw. On "Maundy" Thursday, a "Holy Communion Service" will be held at 7:30 p.m., and on Good Friday, the church will be participating in the "Union Service" at the Agawam Congregational Church.

On Easter Sunday morning, at 5:30 a.m., a "Sunrise Service" will be held at the Agawam High School at the rock memorial. A pancake breakfast will follow at 6:15 a.m., at the church.

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# **Council Tables Lantrip Hiring**

by Stuart Parker Advertiser News Political Writer

Town Council action to hire Jack Lantrip of Marple, Pennsylvania, as Agawam's town manager was delayed at last Monday night's council meeting, following a report of the candidate's background. There existed some concern among some officials that Lantrip might not receives the votes necessary for hiring.

Manager Search Committee Chairman Peter Longo and Councilor Jack Shaughnessy spent four days in Pennsylvania, and reported to the council that Lantrip "looked good" following their conversations with residents and officials of Marple and Warminster, Pennsylvania. Lantrip served in these communities as town manager betwen 1975 and 1985.

Held In High Regard From Marple Officials

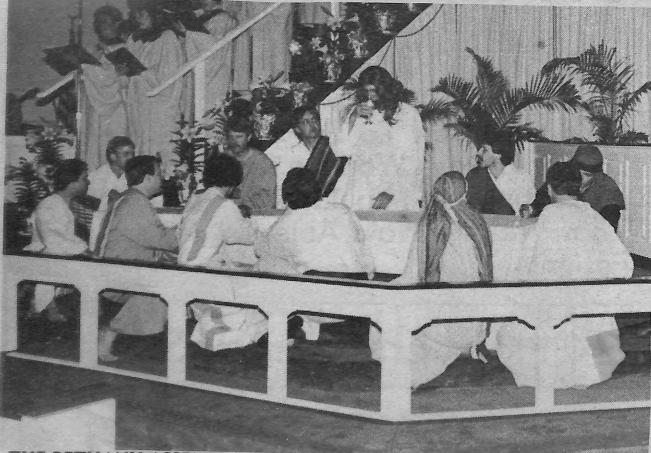
Longo said Lantrip was held in high regard from officials of Marple, where he served as manager for nine years, but that a shift in the make-up of the town's board of commissioners resulted in a mutual agreement for Lantrip's resignation.

Longo found Lantrip's tenure of about five months in the town of Warminster last year was not successful, due to problems in Lantrip's personal life.

The people Longo interviewed from Warminster argued that Lantrip's personal problems detracted from his abilities and time spent in managing the community.

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Last Supper, Crucifixion Reenacted For Holy Week



THE BETHANY ASSEMBLY OF GOD on Main Street, Agawam, staged "The Last Supper" last weekend. Parishioners portrayed the Apostles and Jesus Christ. Throughout the community, local churches will hold various services between Thurday, April 4th, and Easter Sunday, April 7th. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



THE PAIN AND SUFFERING of Jesus Christ en route to being crucified on Good Friday is the reason many townspeople will attend the various church services throughout the community on April 5th. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

## Walnut Street Business Assn. Looks For Betterments

by Mary K. Steele Advertiser News Feature Writer

A \$20,000 economic feasibility study conducted in August determined that although the Walnut Street Shopping Center and adjacent Ramah Circle area are economically viable, problems with parking, traffic accessibility, and appearance may cause the center to "strangle on its own success," according to Agawam's director of Planning and Community Development, Debbie Dachos.

Since the growth trend in Agawam (far exceeding state norms in the last decade) is away from the Walnut Street area, that shopping center must stay contemporary in appearance and accessibility in order to keep and/or improve business, Ms. Dachos said.

Through the study, it was concluded that the key to success would be the formation of a business or merchants' association. Such an association would, ideally, unify the various businesses and shops, and consequently increase their strength and influence upon dealing with any problems.

#### **Walnut Business Association Formed**

Thus, forming a business association became the focus of the Office of Planning and Community Development for the three months following the survey

Happily, 10 of the 60 Walnut Street area businesses decided to take the initiative and have formed the Walnut Business Association. The key members are, of course, the merchants, but the organization is also open to associate members such as small businesses, lawyers, and bankers. Honorary members include town officials and other supporters and contributors.

# Leonard House Trustees To Hold Spring Tag Sale

The Board of Trustees of the Captain Charles Leonard House on Main Street, Agawam, are planning their Annual Spring Tag Sale for Saturday, April 27th, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

The public is cordially invited. Any townsfolk who wish to donate items, can call 786-9421. Any of the trustees will glady pick-up your donated item.

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#### **MUNICIPAL EVENTS**

# COLONIAL FUNERAL HOME

Friday, April 5th
Schools Closed
GOOD FRIDAY HOLIDAY

Thursday, April 4th
Planning Board Meeting
Public Library
7:30 P.M.

Tuesday, April 9th
School Committee Meeting
Junior High School
7:00 P.M.

Saturday, April 13th
Breakfast Meeting
Republican Town Committee
Da Vinci's Restaurant
8:30 A.M.

#### COLONIAL FUNERAL HOME

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Serving Families Of All Faiths And National Origin The feasibility study listed fractionalization, congested egress, and poor access as the major dilemmas of the Agawam shopping area. But, in questioning the customers and merchants, it was found that appearance ranked high on the list of concerns. Built in the late 1960's, the shopping center lacks any distinct or unified architectural style.

The Walnut Business Association will be directly addressing this matter with their "Facade Improvement Program" which will be starting within the next few months.

Through the program, businesses will pay for improvements and will later receive one-time federal reimbursements. Noted Ms. Dachos, "The money is available for the facade program. There is some interest now, but further interest on the part of any business in that area (not necessarily involved with the Walnut Business Association) is desirable in order to urge the state to use that money for this particular program."

The 10 members of the association meet once a month and pay minimal dues for joint promotional and advertising activities. Currently in a formative stage, the group is concentrating on incorporating, developing by-laws, creating a log, and preparing their first promotional activites. The Northampton Downtown Association has been providing members with guidance and leadership.

The business association will primarily be dividing future efforts between the physical and the non-physical problems that the study had illuminated. Improving and conforming signage and planting arrangements will be on the list of physical priorities.

Joint marketing strategy and creating a forum for conflict resolution are major non-physical concerns.

It is possible that the reluctance of the other 50 businesses in the area to join the Walnut Business Association might be attributed to the well-known, traditional independence of each of the various businesses, said Ms. Dachos.

Although the owners may not be accustomed to dealing with problems jointly, she said, Walnut Business Association member Robert Vanderhoff of Agawam Opticians asserts, "In order to keep what we have and to grow we must band together to assist one another. We need the strength of an association to deal with problems. These things always start small but already the association has perked up the merchants and made them realize that we have a truly valuable situation here."

Added co-member Anthony Douglas of Guitar Academy, "The Walnut Business Association will prove beneficial to the local area as a whole by bringing business to this part of Agawam rather than to the developing sections. It will enable us to act as one and therefore keep that competitive edge."

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PRAISE THE LORD

# List Of Sunday Easter Services In The Community - From Page 1

"Worship Service," celebrating the Resurrection, will begin at 9:30 a.m., that same morning. THE FEEDING HILLS CONGREGATIONAL

**CHURCH**, at 21 North Westfield Street, Feeding Hills, has announced the following schedule with the Rev.

On "Maundy" Thursday, a special "Membership Supper" will be held at 6:30 p.m., for new members. At 7:30 p.m., "A Holy Communion Candlelight Service" will be held, including the Senior Choir.

On Good Friday, the church will participate in the 'Union Service' scheduled at the Agawam Congregational Church.

On Easter Sunday morning, there will be an "Easter Morning Breakfast" at 8:30 a.m. "Worship Service," with special music, will follow at 10:00 a.m. The young people will have an Easter egg hunt on the church lawn

(weather permitting) following the service.

VALLEY COMMUNITY CHURCH at 152 South Westfield Street, Feeding Hills, has announced the following schedule with the Rev. James Potter

On April 4th, "Maundy" Thursday, at 7:30 p.m., there will be a "Vigil of Tenebrae with Holy Communion," led by ministers and deacons. On Good Friday, the church will participate in the "Union Service" at 7:30 p.m., at the Agawam Congregational Church. On Easter Sunday, there will be a 6:00 a.m., "Sunrise

Service" outdoors, if possible. Minister Emeritus Frank Dunn will assist the Rev. Potter. Music will be by students from the high school and coffee will follow.

At 8:30 a.m., there will be an "Early Service of Worship" in the Sanctuary by the Rev. Potter, including Chancel Drama "The Walk to Emmaus," presented by

guest young people.
At 10:00 a.m., there will be a "Family Festival of Easter" planned for all ages. It will conclude with an outdoor release of helium balloons containing messages

BETHANY ASSEMBLY OF GOD at 580 Main Street, Agawam, held their "Living Cross" musical concert on March 30th and 31st. During Holy Week, they will

have "Good Friday Communion" at 7:00 p.m. On Easter Sunday, the "Christian Education Hour" will be at 9:45 a.m., and morning worship will be at

The Rev. Edward B. Berkey has chosen the title "The Glory of the Risen Saviour" for his sermon.

At 7:00 p.m. that evening, the youth choir will present their musical "His Majesty

ST. DAVID'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH at 522 Springfield Street, Feeding Hills, has the following schedule with the Rev. Leonard C. Cowan.

On April 4th, "Maundy" Thursday, "Morning Prayer" will be at 8:30 a.m.

At 10:00 a.m., "Caregiver's Eucharist" for shut-ins is scheduled. That evening, at 6:00 p.m., is "Holy Eucharist" with the re-enactment of the Last Supper.

At 7:00 p.m., a soup and bread supper will be held and reservations can be made by calling the church. At 7:40 p.m., stripping of the altar will take place in preparation for Good Friday.

At 12:00 noon, on Good Friday, there will be "Noon Day Prayers," followed by "Vigil at the Cross." At 2:30

p.m., scheduled are "Evening Prayers," and at 7:30 p.m., "Good Friday Office," with commemoration of The Way of the Cross" (Stations).

On Holy Saturday at 10:00 a.m., a "Caregiver's Eucharist" is offered. At 4:00 p.m., there will be a "Children and Family Eucharist." "First Communion" and "Baptism Celebration" will take place and hyacinth plants will be distributed to children.

On Easter Sunday, a "Festival Eucharist" with full choir, will be at 8:00 a.m., and again at 10:00 a.m. Babysitting is available at Holy Saturday and Easter Sunday services

ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CHURCH at 108 Bridge Street, North Agawam, has the following schedule with the Rev. Jospeh H. Fellin C.S.S., and the Rev. S. Anthony Piazzi, C.S.S., during Holy Week.

On Holy Thursday, Mass of the "Lord's Supper" will be at 7:00 p.m.

On Good Friday, "Stations of the Cross" will be at

3:00 p.m., and "Commemoration of the Lord's Suffering and Death" is at 7:00 p.m., that evening.

On Holy Saturday, "Night Watch of the Resurrection," "Service of the Light," "Liturgy of the Word," "Holy Mass," and "Blessing of the Water and Renewal of Baptismal Promises," will be at 7:00 p.m.

On Easter Sunday morning, two masses will be offered at 9:00 and 11:00 a.m., including "Feast of the Resurrection of Jesus from the Dead."

SACRED HEART CHURCH, 1103 Springfield Street, Feeding Hills, has announced their schedule during

On Holy Thursday, April 4th, at 7:00 p.m., is the "Mass of the Lord's Supper."
On Good Friday, "The Seven Last Words" will be

from 12:00 noon until 2:30 p.m., with the Rev. Bruce Quinn, O.F.M. "Stations of the Cross" will follow. "Celebration of the Lord's Passion," will be held in the evening at 7:00 p.m., and will include "Liturgy of the Word," "Distribution of Communion," and "Veneration of the Cross.

On Holy Saturday, "A Con-Celebrated Mass" will be held at 7:00 p.m., with Father Quinn, and the Rev. Camillo L. Santini, C.S.S.

On Easter Sunday, there will be a Mass at 7:30 a.m. with Father Quinn, and at 9:00 and 11:00 a.m., with

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CHURCH at 843 Main Street, Agawam, has the following schedule during Holy Week with the Rev. Karl Huller and the Rev. Philip

On Thursday, there will be morning prayer at 9:00 a.m. Also on Holy Thursday, at 7:00 p.m., there will be "Mass of the Lord's Supper.

On Good Friday, "Morning Prayer" will be at 9:00 a.m., "Stations of the Cross" will be at 3:00 p.m. At

7:00 p.m., a "Liturgy of the Lord's Passion" is planned. On Holy Saturday, "Morning Prayer" will be at 9:00 a.m., and "Blessing of the Easter Food" will be held at 10:00 a.m. On Saturday evening, the first Mass of Easter, the "Easter Vigil Mass," will be held at 7:00

On Easter Sunday morning, Masses will be at 7:00, 8:00, 9:15, 10:30, and 11:45 a.m.

ST. THERESA OF THE INFANT JESUS, at 74 Bridge Street in North Agawam, has the following schedule during Holy Week with the Rev. Albert Breton.

On Holy Thursday, there will be a Mass at 9:00 a.m.

and in the evening at 7:00 p.m.
On Good Friday, the "Way of the Cross" will be held at 3:00 p.m. and "Good Friday Services" will take place that evening at 7:00 p.m.

On Holy Saturday, the "Easter Vigil Mass of the Resurrection" will be at 7:00 p.m.

Masses on Easter Sunday morning will be at 9:00

a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

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Longo said at this time, he believes Lantrip's personal problems are behind him.

Longo further noted a court suit in Marple seeking restitution from Lantrip apparently over accounting methods seems to be without basis, and stems from

political rather than professional interests.

Marple Controller John Longacre, the apparent spearhead of the suit, claimed funds from the town's accounts had been improperly transferred to other town accounts.

The case has been pending for over a year, with the people Longo interviewed terming it political."

Longacre was not interviewed.

Shaughnessy, who is not a member of the search committee, was tagged to join Longo in the research process after the other search committee members, Daniel Lacienski and Paul Paleologopoulos, confirmed they were unable to make the trip to Pennsylvania.

Shaughnessy Agreed With Research Shaughnessy agreed the research showed Lantrip as a qualified candidate for the position of town manager, and noted articles appearing in area newspapers concerning Lantrip had "not told the entire truth, or given all the facts concerning Lantrip.

The search committee is scheduled to meet Thursday, April 4th, to formally adopt the research done by Councilors Longo and Shaughnessy, and the council is scheduled to hold a special meeting for the hiring of Lantrip on Monday, April 8th.

If hired, Lantrip will replace Town Manager Katherine Pisano, who has been serving as town manager since Edward Caba's removal from the post last August.

Pisano had expressed intent to retire from town hall

During the first vote to offer Lantrip the position of town manager, Councilors Lacienski, Donald Rheault, Jack Shaughnessy, Neil Blatt, Paleologopoulos, Alfred Trehey, Longo, Édward Borgatti, and Thomas Locke supported Lantrip for the position.

Rheault was absent for business reasons from Monday's meeting, and concern exists that one or more councilors who originally voted for Lantrip may alter

Eight votes are needed to hire a town manager for the job, which pays a \$39,000 annual salary.

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## CROP Asks Rheault To Declare Special Day

To The Editor:

The last three years people in the Town of Agawam have joined with people throughout the world walking to raise monies to provide food and resources to help the world's hungry.

No matter how wealthy a nation is, there are those who somehow are not able to provide the food to live day by day. This appeal helps all those people from the poorest to the richest states and nations, including our

As time approaches for Agawam's Fourth Annual Walk for Hunger, (this year it will be held Sunday, April 28th), I would ask that a motion proclaiming April 28th, 1985, as "World Hunger Day" be placed on the council agenda for approval. After this motion has been unanimously passed, it would be my hope that the town would not let it rest here but become a full participant in the event. This can be accomplished by supplying a recruiter to recruit walkers amongst coun-

cil members, and persuading the town manager to appoint a recruiter to sign-up walkers amongst the town employees.

I am sure you will agree with me that hunger is the greatest problem for which the world must find a solution.

Until that time, we who are able must provide the interim solution of feeding the hungry. I appeal to you to do all within your power to help to bring a triumphant day to Agawam in the name of world hunger.

I know the council is extremely busy. However, I hope expediency can be the watch word on this matter. I hope we can all work together for world HUNGER.

Warren E. Barr Walk Coordinator

#### Resident Likes Historical Column

To The Editor And Mr. & Mrs. Curry

No heartening comfort can be found in the perpetual horror stories that daily permeate our 20th century press.

That's why the hometown newspaper, *The Agawam Advertiser News* and its captivating articles are so vitally needed for the healthy respite of our fair community. Your column gives us a new surge of pride.

May I suggest a page sized map of Agawam and Feeding Hills of around 1880 to help sharpen the perception such articles conjure up?

I believe myself well informed in the given dates of town history, but am vague in the given places where that history occurred.

I read your recommended biography of Anne Sullivan by Braddy and found it one of the very best I have ever read.

George Bennett Feeding Hills

#### Varsity Cheerleaders Commended To The Editor:

As the parent of an Agawan. High varsity cheerleader, I would like to congratulate the girls for completing a successful competition season. The girls placed second at the P.V.I.A.C. Tournament, third at the Western Massachusetts Tournament, and fourth at the North Attleboro Tournament. Congratulations.

I would also like to extend my thanks to varsity coach Lisa Ghedi, and JV coach Chris Norman, for their time and effort. Special thanks also go to Mr. Colagiovanni for providing transportation to North Attleboro for the cheerleaders and their fans.

Thank you, Mrs. Dialessi, Agawam

LEGAL NOTICE

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AGAWAM PLANNING BOARD

The Agawam Planning Board will hold a public hearing on Thursday, April 18, 1985, at 7:00 p.m., in the Agawam Public Library, Cooper Street, Agawam, MA. The purpose of this hearing will be to hear the petition of Thomas J. Russo to rezone approximately 4.62 acres of land from Agriculture to Industrial A. The land is located to the rear of 204 Suffield Street. Being further described and bounded

Beginning at a point at the northeasterly corner of the parcel described, said point being 200.00 feet westerly of the westerly line of Suffield Street; thence running S21-08-00W (being parallel with and 200.00 feet west of Suffield Street) for a distance of 541.84 feet to a point; thence running S84-14-17W for a distance of 437.14 feet to a point; thence running N34-15-55E for a distance of 657.18 feet to a point; thence running N26-03-22E for a distance of 162.08 feet to a point (the last two courses being along the westerly side of the described parcel are intended to abut the existing Industrial A zoneline); thence running N46-40-00E for a distance of 36.15 feet to a point; thence running N54-35-00E for a distance of 27.85 feet to a point; thence running S37-50-00E for a distance of 228.40 feet to the point of beginning. The above described parcel contains 4.62 Acres.

BY ORDER OF THE AGAWAM PLANNING BOARD

Charles R. Calabrese, Chairman Published: April 4th, 1985



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COLONIAL FUNERAL CHAPEL DIRECTOR PETER FORASTIERE and his sister-in-law, Lila Forasitere (right), recently were quest speakers at a meeting of the Phelps School P.T.O. The topic of their lecture was "Explaining Death To Children." In photo, from left - PTO officers Linda Chicklas and Debbie Chechile, and the Forastieres. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

#### Dana Marie Marquis Engaged Agawam Garden Club To Mr. Felix Pepper

Mr. and Mrs. Charles T. Marquis of 34 Wilbert Terrace, Feeding Hills announce the engagement of their daughter, Dana Marie, to Mr. Felix Pepper. He is the son of Michael and Kathryn Pepper of 86 Fox Farms Road, Feeding Hills.

Miss Marquis is a graduate of Agawam High School. She is a student at Holyoke Community College and will graduate this May.

Mr. Pepper is a graduate of Agawam High School. He is employed at his grandfather's firm, Springfield Scraping in East Longmeadow.

A June 29th wedding is planned

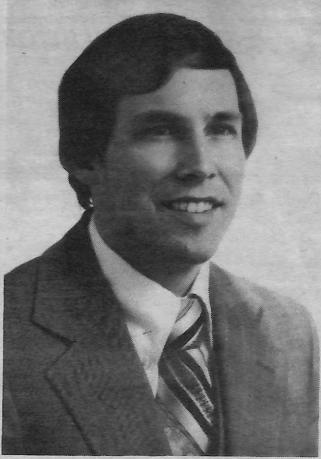
# To Meet April 9th

The April meeting of the Agawam Garden Club will be held on Tuesday, April 9th, at the Captain Charles Leonard House, at 7:30 p.m.

The speaker for the evening will be Lawrence King of Springfield, who will present a program entitled, "In-novative Gardening Techniques."

King has traveled extensively throughout Europe, where gardening space is scarce. His program includes ideas adapted from European gardens for growing vegetable and flower gardens in very limited spaces.

Refreshments will be served and the public is invited to attend.



DONALD F. ANDERSON of Feeding Hills.

#### **Donald Anderson Promoted** At BayBank Valley

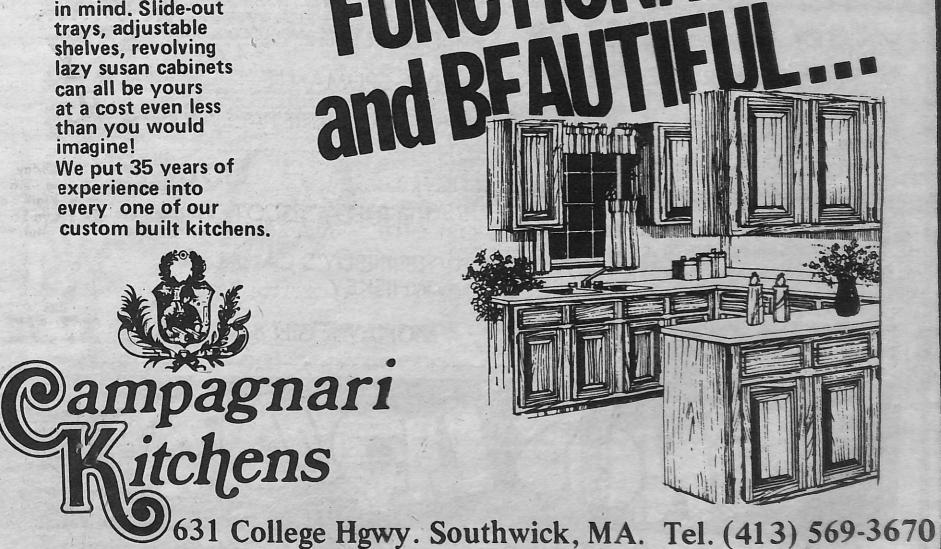
The Board of Directors of BayBank Valley promoted Donald F. Anderson to vice president, it was announced by Richard A. Stebbins, president.

Anderson is responsible for calling on customers and prospects to solicit and retain quality banking services in the Agawam and West Springfield areas.

He joined BayBank Valley in 1971 as a management trainee and has held various positions within the branch offices. Anderson is on the Board of Directors of Agawam Chamber of Commerce and a member of Agawam Rotary, the Agawam Economic Development and Industrial Commission, a United Way Volunteer and a coach in the Agawam Athletic Association.

He and his family reside in Feeding Hills.

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#### **Town Senior Citizens** Hear NU's Program On Home Security

by R. T. McMullen **Advertiser News Municipal Writer** 

A Community Outreach Program sponsored by Northeast Utilities stressed improved home security at a recent meeting at the Agawam Senior Center last

Using a slide presentation produced by the American Association of Retired Persons, NU Outreach Consultant David Clouse told senior citizens, "Negligence is the principle factor in home burglaries."

According to Clouse, most homes are robbed for quick profit by young male adults. If it takes an effort of more than four or five minutes, or if noise, glass breakage, and high visibility are factors, most quick thieves prefer to move on to easier targets," Clause

"Ironically, elaborate security may be maintained in the front of the home, but a forgetful family member will leave the back door open. That's what thieves hope and check for," Clouse added. Agawam Police Officer James Frantz reaffirmed to

seniors that, "the Agawam Police are here to help

Frantz offered those concerned about home security the opportunity to consult with police experts on how to better protect their homes.

Frantz asserted that crime occurs when there is, "desire, ability, and opportunity. Since we cannot control desire or ability, opportunity is the key factor in reducing crime," he concluded.

A third speaker, Sergeant Al Longhi, recounted "some war stories." Longhi urged local residents to form a crime watch committee, "because local residents know an area better than any police patrol,' he stated

Sgt. Longhi stressed that residents should be careful to note license plate numbers and other identifiable traits to help patrolmen investigating a crime.

"It's not enough to tell us that it was a blue van," Longhi said. "We need a plate number, significant dent, or something more."

Light As A Crime Deterrent

Returning to the podium, Clouse recalled the national crime wave of 1978 that in part resulted from soaring energy costs. "In an effort to reduce energy costs, homeowners turned off lights and the climate for crime was improved," he said.

Clouse said, "Light is an important crime deterrent factor because a criminal is reluctant to be seen.

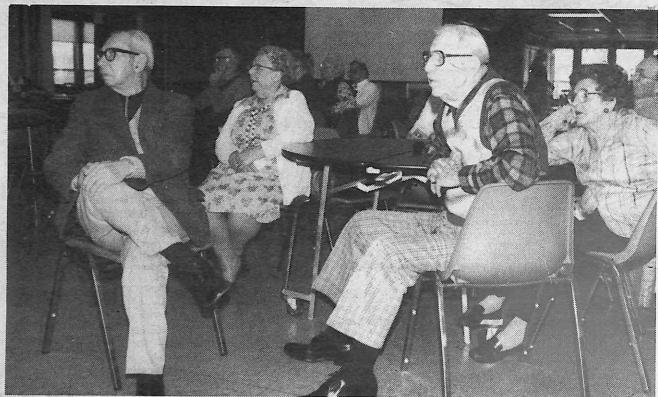
However, a night light left on too long or other telltale signals like an uncut lawn, unshoveled walks, or piled up newspapers, tell thieves that the residents are away, he added.

A number of deterrents, including timed lights and better locks, are discussed in free pamphlets distributed by NU and the police department.

Also, an engraving tool used to record the owner's Social Security number on valuables can be borrowed from the Town of Agawam by simply using you library card.



AGAWAM SENIOR CITIZENS Joe Losito and Ida Cammisa (left), listen as NU spokesman David Clouse explains about protecting their homes against robbery. This Community Outreach Program was conducted by NU at the Agawam Senior Center last week. Advertiser News photo by R.T. McMullen.



SENIOR CITIZENS at the Agawam Senior Center listen to a Northeast Utilities security analysis presentation last week. Advertiser News photo by R.T. McMullen.

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# COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Wednesday, April 10th **Fashion Show Parents For Transportation** St. John's Parish Center 7:30 p.m.

8:30 a.m.

Saturday, April 13th **Breakfast Meeting** Republican Town Committee Da Vinci's Restaurant

Friday & Saturday April 12th and 13th All Night Vigil **Nocturnal Adoration Society** Sacred Heart Church

Saturday, April 13th Roast Beef Supper "Operation Friendship" Feeding Hills Congo Church 5:00 p.m.



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## Spotlight On BUSINESS...

#### Mitch's Nursery Opens New Hardware Store

by Dorine Kubik Advertiser News Feature Writer

Mitch's Nursery Home & Garden Center at 1265 Suffield Street, Agawam, has taken the initiative and expanded into a fully stocked hardware store. Their grand opening occurred on March 30th and 31st, with great opening specials.

Owners and operators are young businessmen Richard and Stephen Micelotta. In a Business Profile published in the *Agawam Advertiser News* on February 21st, 1978, the writer put it very aptly: "The Micelotta Brothers seem to have put it all together. Mitch's Nursery is well thought out and reflects well on the work and efforts of both. We are pleased to have them for neighbors in the community and wish them every success."

During an interview last week with Steve (the younger of the two) he stated, "We cannot thank the community enough for their loyalty since we first opened in November 1977."

He added that the center has enjoyed a constant growth and Mitch's has always strived to feature "service with a smile."

#### **Door Moved**

Customers will find themselves wondering where their beautiful greenhouse is when entering the front door. "It's still here," Steve said, "we just moved the front door." The greenhouse remains the same — serene and lovely, filled with flowering plants and greenery of all descriptions.

Its sides are filled with beautiful waterfalls and statuary, all available for sale. Mitch's springtime flowers are ready for Easter giving.

#### **Hardware Addition**

The home and garden center now boasts a full line of ServiStar Hardware. If paint is on your do-it-youself list, there are about 1,000 shades available.

Their automatic paint mixer is ready to go and all types of paint supplies, such as brushes and rollers can be purchased and are on dispaly alongside the paint.

With spring cleaning around the corner, all types of rubbermaid buckets and popular brands of household cleaners line the shelves.

Did junior break a window with his baseball? Mitch's will custom cut glass and they also supply window shades and curtain rods. A full line of hardware, tools, and light automotive products are available for the mechanically inclined and for do-it-yourself repairs, in the way of plumbing and electricity.

Many miscellaneous hardware products can be found. When browsing around, those needed little items such as spare keys, string, and various types of tapes are all about.

#### Own Lawn Products Available

The Garden Center has a new feature, according to



MITCH'S NURSERY HOME & GARDEN CENTER at 1265 Suffield Street, Agawam, has now added a fully-stocked hardware store to their already prosperous and growing home and garden center. The grand opening of the hardware store took place on Saturday and Sunday, March 30th and 31st. Adventiser News

photo by Jack Devine.

the owners. "We designed, developed, and marketed our own lawn fertilizer, known as Mitch's Professional Lawn Fertilizer in April 1983," Steve related. "This April, we will have on the market, our latest product, "Mitch's- Professional Fertilizer," with a crabgrass preventer."

As an alternative to spraying, it is a granular product and Mitch's will supply information on its use. They also offer a full season lawn program for do-it-yourselfers and everything is federally registered.

"My brother Ric, handles all phases of our fullservice landscaping operation," Steve said. He has three designers on staff and has completed work all over Massachusetts and Connecticut.

The outdoor garden center has expanded and now offers over two acres of 100,000 or more shrubs and trees for outdoor landscaping.

Ric handles full service landscaping for residential, industrial, and commercial property. Steve handles all of the retail phases of Mitch's and is a 1979 graduate of Bryant College in Rhode Island, where he received his B.S.B.A. degree in finance.

Ric graduated from Stockbridge School of Agriculture and is married to the former Elizabeth Janis of Ludlow. They reside at Corey Colonial. Steve is a bachelor.

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# **Colonial Funeral Chapel Part Of Space Burial**

The Celestis Group of Melbourne, Florida, has announced the appointment of the Colonial Funeral Home, 985 Main Street, Agawam, as an official Agency of Celestis, commissioned to provide Celestis' space burial services to residents of Agawam, Feeding Hills, West Springfield and surrounding communities.

Celestis, who has been publicized world wide for their concept of launching cremated remains (ashes) into both earth orbit and outer space, is now commissioning funeral homes and funeral directors throughout the country as their agents.

On receipt of cremated remains from Celestiscommissioned funeral directors, Celestis' laboratory will reduce the remains, then seal the ashes in a golden capsule plated with precious metal and engraved with an inscription and symbol of choice.

The finished capsules are then placed in an orbital spacecraft designed to become the payload of the space launch vehicle

After the launch, the vehicle's guidance system will place the spacecraft into its assigned orbit at an altitude of over 1,900 nautical miles above the earth, far from other space traffic.

At that altitude, the satellite will circle the earth every two hours and forty minutes in an orbital path nearly 37,000 miles long, through an area of over 400,000,000 square miles, about two-and-a-half times the surface area of the earth. Its orbital lifetime is

#### YMCA Schedules Egg Hunt At Paucatuck Park

The Metropolitan Springfield YMCA's Paucatuck Park Family Center and Camp Weber will be sponsoring a free "Easter Egg Hunt" (chocolate eggs) at the YMCA property on Dewey Street in West Springfield on Saturday, April 6th.

This event, open to the public, begins at 11:00 a.m., with a hunt for children ages five and under, and continues at 11:30 a.m. to noon, with a hunt for children ages six to nine. There are also special hidden prizes, including a free session at Camp Weber, a Family Center membership, and camp T-shirts.

The whole family is invited to the hunt. It's a great chance to get outdoors and to acquaint yourself with the summer camp and family center facilities.

Call the Youth and Family Services Department at 739-6951, for more details

calculated to be more than 63 million years.

Succeeding launches of Celestis' spacecraft will offer the option of reaching escape velocity, leaving the earth's gravity entirely and going into freefall in deep

Celestis Group has contracted with Space Services, Inc., the Houston-based commercial launching firm headed by Astronaut Donald K. "Deke" Slayton. The contract provides for Space Services to provide Celestis with launch services, utilizing the Conestoga II four stage solid propellant rocket.

The launch has been approved by the U.S. Department of Transportation after thorough review by all government agencies involved with space flight. The approval was the first for a commercial space launch since Congress appointed the Department of Transportation, in August 1984, as the single government agency with review and approval authority.

When the launch is scheduled, survivors will be notified and invited to attend a nonsectarian service and witness the launch. Watching the liftoff, then seeing the vehicle arc across the sky and disappear into space, will be an inspirational experience, and photographs of the launch will become a new type of memorial to the deceased so honored.

Reservations are now being accepted by Celestis for the first launch, planned for early 1987, according to William A. James Named By Area Chamber of Comm.

William A. James, chairman of the board of trustees and chief executive officer, Springfield Institution for Savings, was elected 1985-1986 chairman of the Greater Springfield Chamber of Commerce at the Chamber's annual business meeting.

James succeeds John H. Southworth, president, Southworth Paper Company, who led the Chamber dur-

ing the 1984-1985 program year.

Also elected to serve one year terms as officers were: First Vice Chairman, Benjamin F. Jones, chairman; Monarch Capital Corporation; Second Vice Chairman, John Gallup, president, Strathmore Paper Company; Treasurer, Robert F. Crowson, certified public accountant, Main Hurdman; Budget Director, John M. Ryan, partner, Coopers and Lybrand; and Clerk, Paul S. Doherty, attorney, Doherty, Wallace, Pillsbury, and

James is a graduate of American International College, the Graduate School of Banking at Rutgers University, and the Management Development Program at Dartmouth College

He joined the bank in 1954 as an assistant treasurer and was appointed to his current position in January of

In addition to his involvement with the Chamber, James serves in a variety of leadership positions in the

He is currently chairman of the Springfield Economic Development Corporation, and serves as a director of Westmass Area Development Corporation, Upper State Street Community Development Corporation, and Better Homes for Springfield, Inc. He also sits on the boards of Massachusetts Thriftpac and Colebrook Cor-

In addition, James is a trustee of American International College and a corporator of Mercy Hospital.

#### **Operation Friendship Plans** Roast Beef Supper April 13th

Operation Friendship, Inc., Feeding Hills Chapter, will hold a Roast Beef Supper on Saturday, April 13th, at the Feeding Hills Congregational Church, 21 North Westfield Street, Feeding Hills. Continuous servings are planned from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

A bake sale will be held at the same time with delicious homebaked foods sold at reasonable prices. For reservations, call 786-5061 or 786-1822. Dona-

#### **Airman Mark Gauthier Assigned To Colorado**

Airman Mark D. Gauthier, son of Joan E. and Donald P. Gauthier of 86 Knollwood Circle, Holyoke, has been assigned to Lowry Air Force Base, Colorado, after completing Air Force basic training.

During the six weeks at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas, the airman studied the Air Force mission, organization and customs, and received special training in human relations.

In addition, airmen who complete basic training earn credits toward an associate degree in applied science through the Community College of the Air Force.

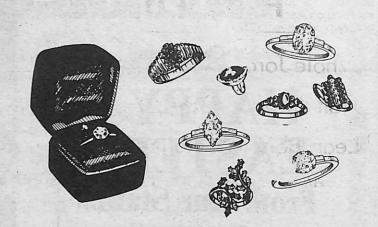
The airman will now receive specialized instruction in the missile-electronics field. Gauthier is a basic training honor graduate.

His wife, Kathryn, is the daughter of Jim P. and Susan J. Thornhill of 103 Elm Street, Agawam. He is a 1982 graduate of Holyoke High School.

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#### Melissa Chiarella To Compete In Little Star Pageant

Miss Melissa Chiarella, 6, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Luigi Chiarella has been selected as a contestant in the 1985 Massachusetts Little Star Pageant to be held at the Sheraton Lincoln, Worcester, on Saturday, July 6th.

The winner of the state title will go on to compete with a representative from every state, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico, for the title of National Little Star in October, 1985, in Orlando, Florida.

The National Little Star Pageant is affiliated with the Miss National Teen-Ager Pageant, which is in its 14th year and is nationally syndicated for television. (The National Little Star Pageant was formerly known as National Little Miss Pageant).

The winner of the pageant will receive a cash scholarship, portrait, crown, banner, trophy, National Little Star accessories, and a round trip flight, paid for herself and one parent, to attend the National Pageant

Tinkerbell Good Grooming Products awards gifts on a state level as well as an assortment of gifts given to each state queen at the National Pageant.

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In total, the amount of cash, awards and prizes given at the state and regional pageants for the 1985 Pageant Year will be in excess of \$150,000.

The "Top 5" will be awarded trophies, National Little Star accessories, and a gift from Tinkerbell Good Grooming Products.

Trophies will also be awarded to the winners of the Superlative Awards - best personality, most poised, party dress, and a special plaque to the winner of the Good Grooming Award.

Contestants will be judged on poise, personality, interview and appearance. Miss Chiarella is being sponsored by Feeding Hills Pharmacy and Luigi's Auto

#### **Agawam Jaycees April Newsletter**

April 21st - Election of officers. June - Golf tournament July 13th-14th - Softball tournament.

The dues will be collected at this month's meeting or you can mail them to Agawam Jaycees, P.O. Box 174, Feeding Hills, Massachusetts. The dues are \$20 for renewal and \$25 for new members.

Attleboro Basketball Tournament The Agawam Jaycees formed a very competitive team to compete in this tournament. The outcome was a championship trophy for the local chapter and a fun time was had by all. Team members were: Scott "Lay-Up" Raymond, Steve "Chickie, May I Help-You" Cec-carini, Joe "Get That Glass" Niznik, Lou "The Coach" Conte, John "No Foul On Me" Plank, Jim "Dead Eye" Crick, and Mike "Dancin" Riley.

Message

The Jaycees will be electing new officers in April. All positions will be open. The past year was the first year for the "new" Agawam Jaycees. It was a learning year. There were some good points and some not-so-good

This chapter has plenty of potential and it has yet to scratch the surface. Please come to this month's meeting on April 21st. Bring some ideas and let's have a very productive 1985.

Check Our Classifieds!





MISS MELISSA CHIARELLA

#### **March of Dimes Plans Annual** "WalkAmerica" For April 28

Step out! In what has been called the largest walking event in history, people all over the country will take part in the March of Dimes "WalkAmerica!"

In Springfield, the annual 25-kilometer walk against birth defects will take place on Sunday, April 28th, beginning and ending at Walker Stadium in Forest

An estimated 1,000 walkers from the Springfield area will participate. In addition, teams of employees from Zayre's, New England Telephone, Monarch Life Insurance, Medical West, 7/Eleven Stores, and Western Mass. Electric Company will take part in the teamwalk

Birth defects are America's number one child health problem, striking more than 250,000 babies every year. Money raised from "WalkAmerica" will support programs in birth defects research, education and medical

For more information, contact the March of Dimes at 71 C Allen Street, Springfield, or call 739-9601

#### Council on Aging Has **Foods Registration**

The Agawam Council on Aging announces that the re-registration for food commodities will be held at the Agawam Senior Center on Wright Street and at Sacred Heart Church in Feeding Hills, on Monday and Tuesday, April 22nd and 23rd, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Senior citizens only may apply at either site, but they must apply at the same site at which they will be picking up their commodities. All other eligible families must apply at Sacred Heart Church, 1059 Springfield Street, Feeding Hills.

Anyone previously registered and holding a green ticket must come in to the Senior Center between the hours designated and turn in their green card. No further commodities will be issued on the old cards. To receive a new registration card, valid for one year, a new statement of eligibility must be signed.

Absentee Registration. Only handicapped individuals may send a representative to register for them. The representative must have, 1) a letter of authorization, and 2) a social security card for the person being registered.

**ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES** 

Rules and regulations for eligibility, as set forth by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Board of Nutrition, will be enforced. They are as follows: Receiving assistance from Welfare or Medicaid; SSI; Fuel Assistance; Head Start; AFDC; WIC; WIN; and Housing Assistance. Also, Self Declaration, for which income must be within fuel assistance guidelines, and a current weekly or monthly check stub, must be submitted for verification. The following weekly income limits

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One ticket for families of four persons or less; two tickets for families of five or more persons.

Because we must re-register over 700 people and must rely on the help of our volunteers, we ask that you please comply with the designated hours of registration - Monday and Tuesday, April 22nd and 23rd, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Bring your Social Security card.



by Rusty Jenks - Acting Fire Chief

#### How Safe Is Your Kitchen

Many of us never get closer to hot objects and the risk of fire and burns than we do in our kitchens. So let's take a moment to be sure our cooking habits are truly fire-wise!

Wear Snug Clothing. Fluffy fabrics, balloon sleeves and hanging tassels can get too close to a hot burner and ignite. If your clothes should catch fire, drop to the

floor and roll to smother the flames.

Know How To Put Out Grease Fires. If grease ignites in a pan, simply put the lid on to cut off the fire's air supply. If you have a fire extinguisher, be sure it carries a B rating (for flammable liquids) before using it on grease. An ABC-rated dry chemical extinguisher is best. Mount the unit near a doorway - not over the stove where you'd have to reach through flames to get

Run A Safe Store. Keep pot and pan handles turned in. An inquisitive child - or a careless turn of the hips could topple a hot pan and cause a scald burn. Cookies and other foods should never be stored above the stove, where family members, especially children, will be tempted to reach over a hot burner. Appliances should be plugged in only when in use...and make sure cords never dangle over the edge of a counter. Dangling cords can become caught in a cabinet door, or be tugged by a curious child. In either case, the falling appliance could ignite burnables nearby, touch off an electrical fire, or cause serious burn injuries.

Special Precautions For Toddlers. If you have a tod-dler in the house, put away the tablecloths for a few years. Placemats protect your table, and reduce the danger of a child pulling down heavy platters or hot

foods on himself.

Finally, keep children safely away when handling hot foods. Young children should be kept secure in a playpen or high chair when you cook, to keep them away from the stove. Or put a child fence across the kitchen door. When it's coffee break time, resist the temptation to cuddle the little tyke in your lap. Your child's quick movements could knock over the cup and cause a burn injury.

Follow these fire-wise concepts when you cook - and you and your family will enjoy greater freedom from

#### James Clark P.T.O. **Plans Pot-Luck Supper**

The James Clark P.T.O. would like to announce in lieu of a final business meeting for the year, its Annual Pot-Luck Supper, planned for Wednesday, April 10th, in the school's cafeteria, starting at 5:00 p.m.

This invitation is also extended to the new kindergarteners for the 1985-86 school year and their families. The PTO has been attempting to contact

However, if anyone is interested in attending, and hasn't been contacted as yet, please feel free to call chairpersons Dale Pappas at 786-6877, or Lucretia Ferioli, at 786-1344, for further details.

Hope to see you all there!

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#### **Worcester Unico Plays Host** To District I Governor's Ball

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Worcester Unico Chapter will host the 11th Annual

Tickets are \$45 per couple. For a table reservation, call Bob Pepi, (617) 853-9645, or Harold Swindel, (617)

The menu will consist of tortellini soup, bread basket with butter curls, fancy iced relish dish, celebrated Caesar Salad, roast tip sirloin of beef with mushrooms (in wine sauce), baked potato with sour cream, Broccoli Mornay, hot fresh apple dumpling a al mode, and coffee or tea.

Michael J. Lopardo of the Worcester Chapter, will be the recipient of Massachusetts District I "Man of the

Massachusetts District I will be honored with the presence of two national officers, National President Anthony Gaglioti, and National Executive President Joseph Andreis.

Massachusetts District I is composed of eight chapters — Agawam, Westfield, West Springfield, Springfield, East Longmeadow, Ludlow, Wilbraham, and

Agawam Chapter members looking for tickets are to contact their chapter president.

Ben Monfredo, Worcester Chapter, will be master of ceremonies, and Paul V. Ferrarini Sr. of the Agawam Chapter, will handle the Western Massachusetts news

Unico is the largest Italian American service organization in the United States.

#### **Brage-Iduna Lodge To Meet April 9th In East Longmeadow**

Brage-Iduna Lodge No. 9, Vasa Order of America, a Swedish-American fraternal organization, will meet at 7:30 p.m., Tuesday, April 9th, in the recreation rooms of St. Paul Lutheran Church, corner of Elm Street and Mapleshade Avenue, East Longmeadow.

After a business meeting, Bruce Lindwall will present a slide program, "Arctic Barrens Expedition." Refreshments will be served and a social hour will

Anyone interested in joining the Vasa Order of America may contact Harry Swanson, 8 Melwood Avenue, East Longmeadow; Mrs. D. H. Perrotta, 108 Monrovia Street, Springfield; or Robert Ebbersten, 21 Havenhurst Road, West Springfield.

#### **Dorothy Marquis Completes Certified Travel Agent Course**

Dorothy Marquis, CTC, proprietor of Calypso Travel, West Springfield, recently earned the professional designation of Certified Travel Counselor (CTC) from the National Institute of Certified Travel Agents, based in Wellesley, Massachusetts.

A Feeding Hills resident, Mrs. Marquis joins over 5,000 other travel professionals across the country in

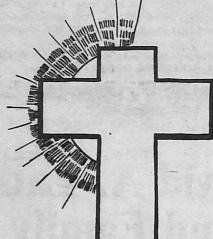
achieving this distinction.

To receive certification, she had to acquire a minimum of five years full-time travel experience and complete a two-year, graduate-level course in ethical and efficient travel management. She also had to write a travel paper.

The Institute of Certified Travel Agents is the one non-profit, educational arm of the travel industry.

Over 7,000 candidates nationwide are studying for the CTC designation, which was established in 1964.





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CHRIST ISRISEN! PUBLISHER'S NOTE: In PART I of a two-part series, local historians Marilyn & Dick Curry give a brief account of the current national effort to finance the restoration of the Statue of Liberty; give a background account of this historic national symbol's origin; and in PART II next week, explain the local effort here in Agawam to gather funds, sponsored by the Agawam Historical Association.

#### Agawam/Feeding Hills' Tribute in freedom, while warning the world over that liberty, To America's National Lady

On July 4th, 1986, the citizens of the United States will pay tribute to the LADY of our nation, the Statue of Liberty

By this time, it is hoped that citizens across this great country will have contributed in some way toward the renovation of one of our country's most resplendent historic landmarks.

Her proper name is appropriately designated as "Liberty Enlightening the World," and well it should be, since during her 100 years of existence she has had the honorable distinction of welcoming the oppressed peoples of the world.

Standing in the entranceway to New York Harbor, the Lady has served as a symbol of freedom and opportunity to people who have sought personal freedom from oppression, via the Atlantic waterway.

During her 100 years of existence, the Lady has withstood the pangs of Nature and man's destructive

Information Relevant To The Project Thanks to the interest and concern of Miss A. Louise The Agawam Advertiser News

Agawam's efforts to offer some form of monetary assistance to the project of restoring the Lady, provided us with certain information relevant to the facts behind the restoration project, via a special feature published in the Journal Inquirer of Manchester, Con-

The statistics concerning this great undertaking may seem mindboggling to the average person. Nonetheless, due to the greatness of modern American engineering, the project is well underway and by the time of her 100th birthday, the Lady will once again renew her stalwart position as America's Guardian and symbolic welcomer to all those who would seek refuge in our great land.

It is estimated that the entire renovation will cost approximately \$30 million for the statue alone, while some \$200 million will be expended on Liberty and

Although the cost for restoration seems staggering to the imagination, there is much comfort in the fact that across our nation, individuals and groups of people are answering the call for financial assistance!

In keeping with our town and village's historic contribution to the Land of the Free, Agawam and Feeding Hills will also participate in this magnificent gesture for the preservation of this "Lady of Freedom and Liberty.

In the end, the proud Lady will once again cast her stern, yet affectionate appearance across the waters of the North Atlantic. She beckons those who would live as it was given birth by our Founding Fathers, will not tolerate alien intrusion against the natural birthright of

**Historical Background** It is not surprising that the birth of the Lady was conceived in France. After all, when our nation was being conceived, it was France, in part, who acted as a contributing factor to the final accomplishment of the 13 colonies to cast aside the chains of the mercantile theory that bound her to the mother country of Great

And like our Canadian cousins to the north, it was the French courier de bois and the voyageurs who first sought freedom and escape within the vast expanse of the North American primeval forests. In so doing, these courageous men and women infiltrated the very extremities of North America.

An original idea by French historian, Edouarde Laboulaye, in 1865, it remained for the French sculptor, Auguste Bartholdi, to conceive the Lady's design, to be constructed around an iron framework by Gustave Eiffel, later of Eiffel Tower fame

The cost of the project was to be \$40,000, to be paid for by the French people. The project was to be a

April 4, 1985 Bradley, of Somers, Connecticut, who upon learning of memorial dedication to America by the people of

Since the original concept of the statue was proposed in 1865, the magnificent statue was to be presented to the American people in commemoration of the 100th celebration of America's independence.

Hence, the gigantic tablet in her left hand is appropriately dated July 4th, 1776 (in Roman letters). Unfortunately, there were to be delays in the final presentation of the Lady. The first section of the aignt edifice came to our land in the form of the great torch.

Interesting Facts Concerning The Statue

Long before the actual undertaking of the great task to construct the Lady, Batholdi searched untiringly for a proper model to fulfill his dreams.

It is not surprising the sculptor found a fitting symbol in his mother, whose integrity and stature remained a symbol of persistence and womanly dignity during rance's participation in the war with Prussia.

Even the German soldiers who had taken over Bartholdi's home town of Colmar had shown respect toward the dignified presence of the sculptor's mother!

From that moment onward, Bartholdi realized that no other model, but his mother, would serve as a fulfillment of the intended statue.

In early 1871, Bartholdi visited the United States. At this time, he could not resist recalling the repeated conversations he had had with Laboulaye concerning the greatness of this country. The possibility of creating a monument depicting the close friendship of the two countries since the days of the America Revolution haunted him.

Upon his arrival in America, Bartholdi met with a number of leading Americans including President Grant, Senator Charles Sumner and Henry Wadsworth

Expressing his idea of a memorial to the United States, Grant agreed to the concept, thereby solidifying the commencement of the great undertaking. Little did he know at that time the eventual completion of his desire would take vears to complete!

On his return to France in the fall of 1871, Bartholdi met with Laboulaye in order to obtain the necessary funds to begin the task.

However, the early 1870's proved a desperate time for the French people and despite several fundraising functions, financial assistance was slow to come.

Finally, in 1876, another attempt was made to procure the money necessary to undertake the job at hand. By now, through the contributions of French-businessmen who had financial ties with the United States and families such as the descendants of Lafayette and the "Free money was contributed to the tune of the \$400,000. The magnanimous task began.

Perhaps the most significant unsung hero of the SEE STATUE OF LIBERTY - Page 13...

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#### MISS LIBERTY - From Page 12...

"Statue of Liberty" was Gustave Eiffel, who designed the original skeletal framework of the statue.

Designer of the future "beloved monstronsity," the Eiffel Tower, then known as the "tallest flagpole in the world," Eiffel contributed much to the engineering skills that would provide the main structural frame of the statue. But unlike the Lady, the Eiffel Tower was considered an evesore!

First Eyesore Of The Statue Is Completed In August 1876, the arm of the Lady arrived in Philadelphia, in time for the great fair held in the City of

It is estimated that 900,000 people paid their respects

to this magnificent accomplishment.
By 1878, the head of "Miss Liberty" was presented at the Paris World Fair. Slowly and meticulously, the statue neared completion.

Finally, in 1884, the structure was completed and ready

for her trip to the United States.

Although President Grant had been advised of the great enterprise, the pedestal upon which the statue was to stand, financed by the people of America, had not been completed, due to a misunderstanding by the public as to the true purpose of the statue.

It was due to the efforts of Joseph Pulitzer, the editor of the World Newspaper, who came to the rescue. Through his efforts and influence, Pulitzer encouraged national and personal financial contributions and the pedestal

Packed in 214 crates and loaded aboard the "SS Isere." the great Lady left France in June of 1884, bound for

We can readily appreciate how the people of France must have felt as the structure was slowly dismantled for shipment to the States. Having observed her birth and eventual growth, the French citizens experienced much emotion; like any parent who realizes the departure of its offspring, now grown to maturity, and ready to depart the family household.

Fortunately, Bartholdi presented his 36 foot working model of the Lady to the people of France and today it remains a living symbol of friendship between our two nations. Cast in bronze, the smaller statue stands on the Isle

de Cygnes, in Paris.

The Lady's Glorious Arrival
Arriving in New York Harbor, amidst an escort of 90 vessels with their banners and flags stiffly flying against the wind, the crates had to be stored on Bedloe's Island until the pedastal was completed.

Like their compatriots of the French Republic, Americans observed the gradual and arduous task of

rebuilding the Lady.

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#### Local UNICO Chapters Help At Easter Seal Telethon

telephones Sunday, March 31st, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., taking pledges for the Easter Seal Telethon, at the Marriot Hotel, with WWLP-TV Channel 22, hosting the local drive.

Unico National Executive President Joseph Andreis, and Massachusetts District I Governor Raymond Caputo, worked with 20 Unicans from district chapters, including Agawam, Westfield, West Springfield, Springfield, East Longmeadow, Ludlow, and Wilbraham. Caputo also presented \$1,000 district check for the cause.

Agawam Unicans participating were Thomas Coppola, past president, Renso Frigo, mental health chairman, and Paul V. Ferrari i Sr., past president.



#### "Make A Dinosaur Friend" On Saturday, April 13th

Make friends with a dinosaur at the Science Museum's Annual Dinosaur Day on Saturday, April

As a special attraction this year, the Poobley Greegy Puppet Theater will give two presentations of their popular Dinosaur Show.

The Dinosaur Show tells the true story of Professor Othniel Marsh who befriended the Sioux Indians and discovered the fossils of over 80 different kinds of dinosaurs during the 1870's. The Dinosaur Show has been shown in schools throughout New England and is great fun for children and adults alike.

Special craft workshops and a draw-a-dinosaur sessions will give children the opportunity to create several different take home projects. Youngsters can even make their own fossil dinosaur teeth using latex molds and plaster of paris. Children aged 4-6 can learn about these prehistoric creatures in "Dinosaurs Large and Small," a special classroom program.

If you've always wanted to meet a dinosaur, this will be your chance to shake hands and have your picture taken with our strolling stegosaurus or triceratops.

A follow-the-clues activity will guide you through the museum as you learn more about dinosaurs and find the answer to a mystery. Dinosaur games will challenge you to try out what you've learned, and dinosaur music and sing-a-longs will create a lively at-

Films and filmstrips about dinosaurs will be shown, and the curator of natural history will present "Uncovering the Dinosaurs," a slide program exploring how paleontologists reconstruct prehistoric life.

Dinosaur Day activities will take place throughout the museum from 12:00 noon until 4:00 p.m. Admission will be 50 cents for children and \$1 for adults.

The Science Museum is located on the Quadrangle in downtown Springfield. For further information, call the museum at 733-1194.

#### All-Night Vigil At Sacred Heart Church

Members of the Nocturnal Adoration Society of Agawam and West Springfield will hold their monthly all-night vigil of the Most Blessed Sacrament April 12th-13th, in Sacred Heart Church, Feeding Hills. Fr. Camillo L. Santini, C.S.S., pastor of Sacred Heart, will open the vigil at 9:00 p.m., on April 12th, with exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. Society members will then alternate periods of adoration during the next

Alfred L. Mutti, the society secretary, and Thomas P. Murray, membership chairman of Sacred Heart, are in charge of arrangements. Benediction will be given at

The public is welcome to the service, and membership in the society is open to men and women over 18 years of age and may contact any member of the socie-

#### LaLeche League To Meet Monday, April 8th

Mothers who wish to breastfeed their babies will find encouragement and information at the Agawam-West Springfield La Leche League. The next meeting is Monday, April 8th, at 8:00 p.m., at 100 Paul Revere Drive, Feeding Hills. Nursing babies are welcome.

The League offers mother-to-mother help in a series of four monthly meetings based on the manual The Womanly Art of Breastfeeding.

The meeting discussions include the latest medical research, as well as personal experience.

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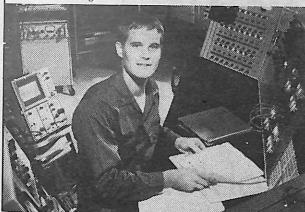
COMMITTEE MEMBERS planning the St. Anthony's Of Padua "Ladies Spring Fashion Show" are, from left - Rosalie Napoli, Rev. Joseph Fellin, C.S.S., and Linda Vigliano.

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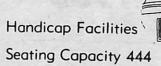
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#### St. Anthony's Plans Ladies Fashion Show

St. Anthony's Church of North Agawam, in cooperation with the church CCD teacher, will have a "Ladies Spring Fashion Show" on Wednesday, April 17th, at 7:30 p.m., at Oak Ridge Country Club, Feeding Hills

7:30 p.m., at Oak Ridge Country Club, Feeding Hills.
Fashions in sizes 5 to 20 will be displayed by
Carmella Marzano, owner of Sal's Boutique, Cooper
Street, Agawam. Modeling will be CCD teachers and
parishoners.

Tickets are \$5 per person and include refreshments and many door prizes. Tickets may be purchased from CCD teachers, after the 8:30 Mass on Sundays, at the rectory (786-3724) and at the door on April 17th. Walkins are welcomed and the public is invited.

The event is sponsored by CCD teachers to raise funds for their program. To further aid the program, there will be a raffle. Raffle tickets, printed courtesy of Toomey-O'Brien Funeral Home, are 50 cents each and you can buy a book of three tickets for \$1.

In the raffle, first prize is a handknit silk sweater (\$170 value); second prize, \$50 gift certificate from Sal's Boutique; and third prize, a Cabbage Patch doll. The winner need not be present.

The committee working for the fashion show success includes Reverend Joseph H. Fellin C.S.S., rector, Honorary Chairman; General Chairman, Rosalie Napoli; Door Prizes, Barbara and Chris Peterson; Refreshments, Genevieve Shackford; Decorations, Linda Wojick; Tickets, Linda Vigliano and Kathy Murray; and Publicity, Paul Ferrarini, Sr.

#### Laughing Brook Continues Sunday Family Afternoons

"Sunday Afternoons For Families" will continue for the month of April at Massachusetts Audubon Society's Laughing Brook Education Center in Hampden.

These programs are offered every Sunday afternoon at 2:00 p.m., as a way of encouraging families to enjoy exploring the outdoors together. The following programs will be offered:

April 7th: Stories At The Storyteller's House - Enjoy an hour of stories told around the hearth in the cozy atmosphere of the house where Thornton Burgess once lived

April 14th: Wildlife In New England - A formal introduction to the wildlife on the Animal Loop, including an extended visit with Blackie, the black rat snake.

April 21st: Birds Of Prey - Learn about these feathered hunters at the time they are returning on their spring migration northward. Participants will visit several species of owls as well as the red-tailed hawks and turkey vulture, which reside at Laughing Brook.

April 28th: Life In A Spring Pool - Every spring a tem-

April 28th: Life In A Spring Pool - Every spring a temporary pond forms near the Big River Loop, and it briefly teems with life. Before it disappears in summer, join in a search for insects and amphibians.

Participants should dress for the weather. All sessions will include some time outdoors.

"Sunday Afternoons For Families" are open to the public. These programs are free with regular Sanctuary admission. For more information, contact Laughing Brook at 566-8034.

We will be closed on Good Friday. We will Reopen on Monday, April 8th, at 6:00 a.m.

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#### **Gordon Sanderson**

Agawam: Gordon E. Sanderson, 71, of 21 Dwight Street, president and treasurer of G.E.S. Inc., died Saturday of injuries received in an industrial accident.

According to a spokesman for the Dickinson-Streeter Funeral Home in Springfield, which is handling the arrangements, Sanderson was working on a truck Saturday at his truck repair service which he owned for many years when part of a hydraulic lift fell on his neck and asphyxiated him.

He was pronounced dead at the scene by medical examiner Loren Mednick. An autopsy was performed.

Born in Whately, he lived in the Springfield-Agawam area most of his life.

He was a deacon of East Church of Springfield. He was past master and senior warden of Mount Sugarloaf Lodge of Masons, Deerfield, and member of

Scottish Rite Bodies of Connecticut Valley He leaves a son, Glenn of North Carolina; a daughter, Holly Oldred of Texas; and a grandchild.

The funeral was Wednesday morning at Dickinson-Streeter Funeral Home, Springfield, with burial in West Whately Cemetery. Donations may be made to the

#### Brage-Iduna Lodge No. 9 **Slates District Spring Dance**

A large delegation from Brage-Iduna Lodge No. 9 Vasa Order of America, a Swedish-American fraternal organization, will attend the Annual District Spring Dinner Dance, sponsored by the Massachusetts District Lodge, on Saturday, April 13th, at the Yankee Drummer Inn, 624 Southbridge Street, Auburn. Social hour is at 6:00 p.m., and dinner is at 7:00 p.m., followed by dancing to the music of Nils Lundin's orchestra. Henry Friberg of Westboro, vice district master and

district deputy for Brage-Iduna Lodge, heads the committee rangements. Dinner reservations may be made with Mrs. Margareta Sjoberg, 536 Main Street, West Springfield, 739-5775. Mrs. Sjoberg is the district master of Massachusetts District Lodge, Vasa Order of

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## **Agawam Obituaries...**

Albert C. Gemme

Albert C. Gemme, 72, of 443 North Street, Feeding Hills, a retired 25-year machinist at Curtis Univeral Joint Company, Springfield, died Tuesday, April 2nd, in a local nursing home.

A native and former resident of Springfield, he lived in Agawam 35 years and was a communicant of Sacred Heart Church.

He leaves three brothers, Wildaige M. and Arthur R., both of Agawam, and Vallaire H. of Clearwater,

The funeral was Thursday morning, April 4th, at Curran Jones Funeral Homes and in the church, with burial in Springfield Street Cemetery. A memorial service will be held Monday morning, April 8th, in Sacred Heart Church.

Verna M. Magoon Verna M. Magoon, 66, of General Shepherd Apartments, died Sunday, March 24th, in Wesson Memorial Hospital. Born in Corinth, Vermont, she had lived in the Feeding Hills section of Agawam for 31 years and then West Springfield 10 years before moving to Westfield in 1983

#### Miniature & Collectible Sale To Benefit Scholarship Fund

Suffield: The Suffield Women's Club's 7th Annual Miniature and Collectible Show and Sale will be held Saturday, April 13th, from 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at Spaulding School, 945 Mountain Road (Route 168), Suffield. Proceeds will benefit the scholarship fund.

The donation is \$2 for adults, \$1 for children 8-12 and senior citizens. Refreshments will be available and door prizes will be awarded.

Dealers' inquiries are welcome. Call Mrs. Phyllis Stafford, 939 North Street, Suffield, 1-203-668-2391.

She was a member of Agawam Methodist Church. She leaves a brother, Irving Magoon of Windsor Locks, Connecticut; three sisters, Eloise Clark of Feeding Hills, Virigina Jones of State College, Pennsylvania and Evelyn R. Magoon of West Springfield; and several nieces and nephews. The funeral was held Wednesday afternoon at Curran-Jones Funeral Home, West Springfield. Burial will be in Maple Hill Cemetery, Washington, Vermont.

Charles E. Brode

Agawam: Charles E. Brode, 84, of 61 Cooper Street, a retired employee in the maintenance department of Boston & Maine Railroad, died Thursday, March 28th in Baystate Medical Center, Wesson Unit. He retired in 1970. Born in Norwalk, Connecticut, he lived in Longmeadow and the Springfield area 45 years. He was a member of the Railroad's maintenance union, Beth Israel Synagogue, Melha Temple Shrine, Scottish Rite Bodies and the Eagles. He leaves a sister, Gertrude Scott of New Bedford. A graveside service was Friday afternoon in Beth Israel Cemetery, West Springfield. Harold R. Ascher & Son Memorial Chapel was in charge. Donations may be made to the Synagogue.

#### Republican Party Schedules **Breakfast Meeting April 13th**

A breakfast meeting of Republicans interested in rebuilding the Republican Party in Agawam will be held on Saturday morning, April 13th, at 8:30 a.m., at DaVinci's Restaurant, 60 North Westfield Street, Feeding Hills.

The guest speaker will be a member of the Republican State Committee. Republican and Independent voters are invited to attend. Please note the date. It is different than originally planned

# Effective April 1:

# Westfield Savings Announces **Expanded Lobby Hours**

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## Agawam Senior Center News, Activities...

**History Of The Computer** 

The one-session computer course in the Council on Aging's Mini-College series was held March 18th, at the Senior Center. Twenty interested persons listened intently as Professor Peter Pollito of Springfield College's Computer Science Department related the story of computer devices, beginning with the little piles of stones used in the Stone Age.

He took us briefly through the areas of study which lead to mechanization of arithmetic and to the stored program concept. In 1944-45, when electronics came into the picture, punch cards and wired boards were advanced techniques, giving us the automatic EDVAC. But, the boards had to be constantly re-wired for each procedure.

1st Generation

In 1951 UNIVAC appeared. It was the first generation computer using vacuum tubes and it was of awe-inspiring size. (Remember that old Katherine Hepburn movie about the huge computer that got so frustrated it exploded?)

In 1955, IBM, GE, Westinghouse, RCA and Burroughs were all making computers for scientific applications, but their vacuum tubes were subject to frequent breakdown.

**2nd Generation** 

1957-1963. The 2nd generation computer made use of transistors. Computers were developed oriented to business as well as scientific usage with Honeywell and NCR joining the leading companies.

**3rd Generation** 

1964 - The 3rd generation used the integration circuit, solid state on a silicon base. New usages included time-sharing, multiprogramming, multi-processing, and IBM developed the family concept with their 360 computer where the same programs could be used on all models. SEE SENIOR Page 17...

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RECENTLY, the Fats Daniel Band entertained members of the Agawam Senior Center on St. Patrick's Day. The band was very well-received by the seniors, who are anxiously awaiting the next performance by the band in the near future. (SEE PAGE 17 for more news, activities about the Agawam Senior Center). Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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4th Generation

1971 - The 4th and present generation arrived. It was basically the same computer, but it used silicon chips which permitted incredible amounts of information to be stored in a very small space. Names like Digital, Wang and Prime appeared, along with the familiar Honeywell, CDC and others.

To Come - The 5th Generation

As to be expected, scientists are working on the 5th generation computer with the intriguing (but rather ghostly) concept of "Artificial Intelligence." We already have cars that talk to us instead of just making warning noises, and one of these days you may expect to talk right back! When "Artificial Intelligence" is perfected, an operator will be able to talk to the computer and it will respond. Sound fascinating? Yes, indeed!

Computer Language

Computers have given birth to a whole new language. Explained by Professor Pollito were some of the more general terms such as hardware, software, cybernotics, robotics, Fortron, Cobol, Pascal, Prolog, etc.

Computer Science is a field which has developed so rapidly this human generation of senior citizens has been more or less left

behind.

This lecture provided us with a glimpse into the complex computer world and gave us a peek into what the 5th generation will be able to do. The scheduled hour lecture was extended and left folks still wanting more.

At Last - A New Microphone

Everyone will be pleased to learn that the Senior Center now has a new "mike." The proceeds of the crocheted shamrocks, made by Germaine Fontaine, were put toward the purchase of the new mike and the Activities Department resources provided the balance.

The Center was really "jumping" on Tuesday, March 19th in a delayed celebration of St. Patrick's Day. In addition to the regularly scheduled Blood Pressure Clinic, table tennis and ladies' pool classes, and the Drama Workshop, the Fats Daniels ensemble's afterlunch program was greatly enjoyed by a

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capacity audience. The Senior Center's "Line Dancers" joined in the entertainment, too, and dancing overflowed into the hall!

Put Tuesday, April 23rd at 12:30 p.m. on your calendar when Fats Daniels and his band will again be on hand to entertain and set your toes tapping.

We are indebted to the Springfield Musician's Union, Local 171, for providing these bright spots at the Senior Center.

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Have you seen the lovely "Easter Bonnet" lapel decorations available at the ticket booth? Exquisitely made by Germaine Fontaine, they are in soft pastels and we predict they won't be available too long. **Trips** 

As we go to press there are only a few seats available for the April 25th bus trip to **The Gables** in Lenox for "The Wedding Party." Price is \$26.20. Choose either baked Virginia ham with rum raisin sauce; chicken salad; or sole veronique.

My Fair Lady at Coachlight on May 23rd, has only a few seats available at press time. Price is \$18.55 and of course it includes the

Oqunquit Maine, 3 days/2 nights, June 24-25-26, is taking names for the waiting list.

A deposit of \$15 is required.

April 18th - 1:00 p.m., at the Senior Center, a new course in Modern Literature will be

a new course in **Modern Literature** will be starting. This is being repeated by popular demand and if you enjoy reading books of substance, this if for you.

May 7th - 6:00 p.m., Creative Writing I will

May 7th - 6:00 p.m., Creative Writing I will be repeated at the Senior Center. If you were unable to take this course the first time when it was held at the library, don't miss it here at the Center. You will find it most interesting. **Drama Workshop** 

Folks are talking about the new **Drama** Class Workshop held every Tuesday at 1:00

p.m., at the Senior Center. The ultimate result of these classes will be a Dinner Theatre production. It bodes well for a lot of enjoyment along with some hard work for the participants. There's room for more folks to help, including committee work and non-speaking parts.

A call to 786-0400, extension 242 is all that is needed to have your name registered for these Mini-College courses.

**NOTICE:** Monday, April 15th, the Senior Center will be closed in observance of Patriot's Day.

Registration For New Commodities Card

Dates: Monday and Tuesday, April 22nd and 23rd.

Hours: 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. only.

Place: Agawam Senior Center or Sacred Heart Church. Seniors may register at either place, but **must** register at the site where they will pick up their commodities. All other eligible families must apply at Sacred Heart Church in Feeding Hills.

Next Distribution: by new card only, will be on April 25th, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Mark your calendar now so you can comply with the listed dates for the registration.

Complete guidelines for elgibility will be preinted in the April 18th Agawam Advertiser News. Seniors are not automatically eligible because of age.

**Luncheon Programs** 

**Thursday, April 11th,** at 12:30 p.m., Shirley Sisson of Sisson Tours will present a slide program about the upcoming over-night trips. June 24th, 25th and 26th (3 days/2 nights), will be spent in Oqunquit, Maine (waiting list). A deposit of \$15 is required with reservation.

Also, on October 20th, 21st and 22nd (3 days/2 nights), there will be a trip to Lake George, New York, at the Georgian Resort, right on the lake. Plan to come to lunch on April 11th and stay for this interesting program.

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MORE FIRE DEPT. PHOTOS SEE Page 19...

#### **Agawam Firemen In Extensive Drills**

by Dorine Kubik **Advertiser News Feature Writer** 

Even our fire fighters have fire drills. Unlike the fire drills of our school days, these professionals undergo extensive drills that simulate actual incidences while wearing full-protective gear.

A two-day drill was held at the Agawam Fire Department on March 12th and 13th in Feeding Hills, at the 1200 Springfield Street Station.

As part of the two-day drill, a 40-foot trailer converted into an obstacle course was brought to Agawam by the Massachusetts Firefighting Academy.

Specialized Training In Search Procedures During an interview later with Acting Fire Chief Russell Jenks, he said, "The trailer is called a "Maze" and it is divided up into compartments with obstacles for the men to go through. Sound effects are added as well as heat.

"But the most interesting part is that the men must go through this obstacle course completely in the

This particular drill, using the Maze, was a specialized training in search procedures. "There are many ways that drills can simulate actual conditions a firefighter is faced with," Jenks explained.

Another trailer is now being readied for specialized rescue training. In this one, firefighters will be blindfolded and must find and carry out a victim within a specified time limit. The next drill, scheduled for fall, will be held in conjunction with the West Springfield Fire Department.

Although West Springfield had planned to participate in the spring drill, a major fire in their town prevented them from attending. Others that did participate (besides Agawam) were from Holyoke, East Longmeadow, and Wilbraham.

Jenks said of the most recent training, "Of any training program held during the last four years, this particular search drill with the Maze was received with the most enthusiasm by the department. These drills provide a training aid and also keep the department up to date on latest techniques involving protective gear and equipment."

The first day of the program was in a classroom situation, and the second day was devoted to search and rescue. The station served as a simulated rescue environment until the other training trailer is available.

Mass. Firefighting Academy The Massachusetts Firefighting Academy, a division of the Massachusetts Department of Education from Sudbury, sponsored the drills. They provide their own instructors as well as the Maze. The outreach program they offer is available to fire departments all over the

Jenks explained that the program is solely funded through small portions of fire insurance premiums that people pay, such as homeowners insurance. He added that no tax dollars are used.

The trailer converted into an obstacle course was donated to the Academy by United Parcel.

Work Tripled

The number of incidences that the Agawam Fire Department has covered has tripled from 1974 to 1984.

Part of this large change in numbers is due to the addition of the ambulance service. The Fire Department now covers fires, emergencies, flooding, boat, and rescue

In 1984 alone (besides fires), there were 1,247 ambulance incidents, and 74 basements were pumped out during the River Road area flooding of last June.

#### Suffield Woman's Club Schedules Collectibles Show

Suffield: The Suffield Woman's Club will hold its Seventh Annual Miniature and Collectibles Show and Sale on Saturday, April 13th, from 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at Spaulding School.

Admission is \$2 for adults, \$1 for senior citizens, and \$1 for children.

There will be door prizes, refreshments, and demonstrations.

Dealer inquiries are welcome. Contact Susan Gail Cranmore, 668-7450, or Phyllis

SENIOR CENTER -From Page 17...

News photo by Jack Devine.

**Easter Novelties** 

And while you are sure to check to the Wednesday, April 24th. lovely Easter novelties the Hobby Club has for sale.

They also have some darling hat and scarf sets for the Cabbage Page Doll someone in your family probably owns.

**Mental Health Benefit** Slated For April 24th

Kitty Broman announces that a 20-year tradition will be continued when she holds her Annual Mental the ticket booth, be Health Benefit Luncheon at Chez Josef in Agawam, on

This year the program will be taped and telecast by WGGB-TV Channel 40. The feature attraction, the Fashion Show, will be presented by Yale Genton.

Beneficiaries will be the Mental Health Association of Greater Springfield, the Work Opportunity Center, and United Cerebral Palsy.

There will be a choice of entree this year, with either breast of chicken pilaf at \$15 per ticket, or prime rib of beef at \$18.

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## Agawam Fire Dept. Two-Day Drill Program



FIREFIGHTER RON GIORDANO checks-out a breathing apparatus during recent two-day drill held at the Springfield Street Fire Station. (SEE PAGE 18 for related photo and story). Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



MASS. FIREFIGHTING Instructor Bob Loomer and **Agawam Fire Department instructor Larry Grady share** a light moment at recent two-day drill for area firefighters held at the Feeding Hills Fire Station. (SEE PAGE 18 for related photo and story. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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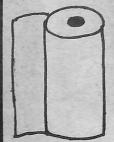
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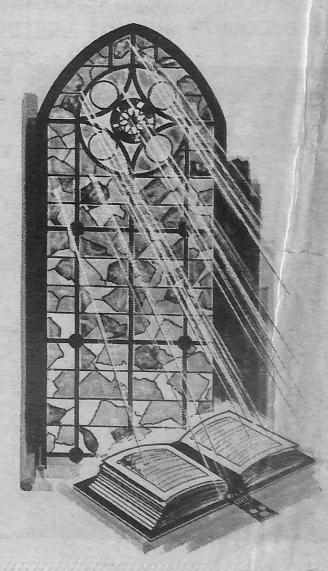
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### Education

#### Agawam High Mirror Attends 61st Annual Columbia Conference

by Alexis Ferioli **School Department Editor** 

Due to the generosity of the Springfield Turnverein Club and the Agawam Junior Women's Club, seven members of the Agawam High School Mirror newspaper staff were able to attend the 61st Annual Journalism Conference, sponsored by Columbia University, March 13th, 14th, and 15th, in New York

Mirror advisor Dorothy Martin points out that Agawam High has participated at the prestigious conference for the past 10 years.

This year, however, due to financial constraints, local participation was doubtful.

**Donations Used For Accommodations** 

Mrs. Martin explains that the Turnverein's donation of \$500 and the Junior Women's donation of \$30 were used to pay for hotel accommodations.

Since meals and other expenses are not provided by the university, students were responsible for approximately \$300 in personal expenses.

Mrs. Martin relates that over 3,000 high school students from across the nation attended the three-day conference, which offered a variety of workshops for both students and advisors.

According to her, Columbia University is one of the country's most prestigious journalism schools.

The annual conference, she said, affords local students the opportunity to meet with other high school journalists, to share ideas, as well as find solutions to problems common to their publications.

"After a year of meeting deadlines, the March conference is a real shot in the arm for staff members. Our students returned home inspired by new ideas and ready to work," remarks Mrs. Martin.

The veteran advisor notes that Columbia University sets the guidelines for the Mirror's publication. By attending the annual conference, staff members learn what they are doing correctly, how to improve upon it, and what they are doing wrong.

'Columbia's guidance ensures our continued growth and maintenance of high quality standards," she comments.

Utilize Knowledge Next Year

Mrs. Martin points out that most staff members attending this year's conference are juniors and, therefore, will utilize what they learned at Columbia next year as well.

Staff members who traveled to the "Big Apple" included sports editors Cathy Landry and Lisa Caron, assistant ad manager Kim Schoenborn, and Michael Jemiolo, Rich Malinowski, Chris Noll, and Jeff "Cookie" Lane.

Mrs. Martin states that everyone thoroughly enjoyed the journalism conference and felt inspired by it.

Journalism is a dynamic field which requires interaction students cannot gain from textbooks. Our trip to Columbia was not just a field trip. Rather, we participated in an academic-oriented seminar which emphasized communication and writing skills. Everyone felt the experience was very rewarding and worthwhile," she declares.

#### **Agawam Parents For Transit** Plan April 10 Fashion Show

The Agawam Parents for Transportation will be holding their first Annual Spring Fashion Show on Wednesday evening, April 10th, at the Parish Center of St. John's Church, Main Street, Agawam.

The show will be held at 7:30 p.m. Stores participating in this year's show include James Antoni of

Feeding Hills, featuring sportswear, career wear dresses, and suits; Modern Woman, large-size sportswear and evening wear for the fuller-figured woman; Bridal Showcase, prom and evening gowns; and Shirley's Kids, active wear for children.

Flowers are provided by Feeding Hills Florist, and models' hairstyles are by Sincerely Yours Beauty Center of Longmeadow.

Tickets are available from any A.P.T. member, or by calling 789-08562 or 786-2754. Refreshments will be served, and door prizes will be awarded. Tickets are \$5 each, and are on a first-come, first-served basis. This form of show has something for everyone. It promises to be an exciting evening. Make your reservation as soon as possible.

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ASSEMBLED ON THE STEPS of Columbia University in New York City are Agawam High Mirror staff members. Back row, from left - Michael Jemiolo and Chris Noll. Front row -Cathy Landry, Kim Schoenborn, Lisa Caron, Rich Malinowski, and Jeff Lane. Photo courtesy of the

#### Plans Underway For Cub Camp In Agawam

This summer, boys aged 8-10, will be able to participate in a variety of fun-filled developmental activities as they attend Cub Scout Day Camp.

The camp program is designed to provide each boy with the opportunity to learn and develop new skills, while advancing in the scouting program.

All boys receive daily instruction in archery, sports,

nature, crafts, and swimming.

An integral part of the pack program, Cub Camp is also open to Tiger Cubs who will become Cub Scouts in

Two, two-week sessions will be held, both in Agawam and Ludlow. From July 8th to July 19th, boys will be able to attend Cub Camp at the Ludlow Fish and Game Club.

The Springfield Turnverein Club on Garden Street, will be the location for the Agawam session, which will take place July 22nd to August 2nd.

Cost for a full, 10-day session is \$55, if a registration

fee of \$15 is paid by May 20th.

The registration fee must accompany each Cub Scout's application, otherwise the cost of camp is \$65.

Applications and registrations must be turned into the pack's cubmaster and deposits are not refundable. All balances are due two weeks prior to arrival at

Each camper must have a medical form completed by a physician within two weeks of entering camp, as required by state law.

Medical forms will be sent to parents upon receipt of each application. Medical insurance for each Cub Scout is included in camp fee.

Anyone desiring further information about summer sessions of Cub Camp, may contact Pack 78 Committee Chairman Hugh McBride, at 786-6179, between 7:00 to 9:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, or Cathy Daly, at 786-8403, from 4:00 to 9:00 p.m.

#### Junior Zookeeper Program Has Openings For Kids

The Junior Zookeeper Program at the Children's Zoo in Forest Park has approximately 15 openings for interested young people between the ages of 12 to 18 years. Names will be taken on a first-come, first-serve

The program requires junior zookeepers to volunteer at least one morning, or an afternoon a week during school vacation, and on weekends in the spring and fall when school is in session.

There is a \$5 membership fee to the Forest Park Zoological Society and applications may be picked up at the Children's Zoo, Animal Care Center office, any weekday between 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. A pamphlet explaining the program will also be available.

All juniors learn animal care, maintenance, feeding of zoo animals, help with pony rides, souvenir shops, other zoo operations, answer questions of zoo visitors, and are a vital part of the Children's Zoo operations.

Juniors also plan organized day trips to other facilities to learn about other animals and programs. They do their own fundraising to cover the costs of these trips. Parents may be asked to participate.

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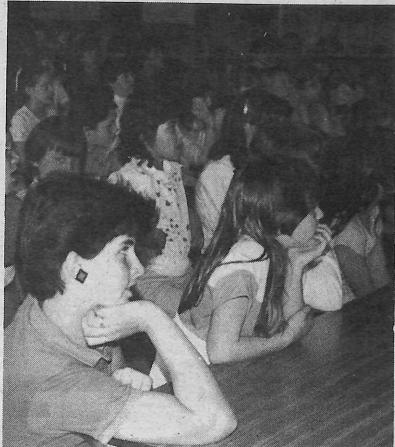
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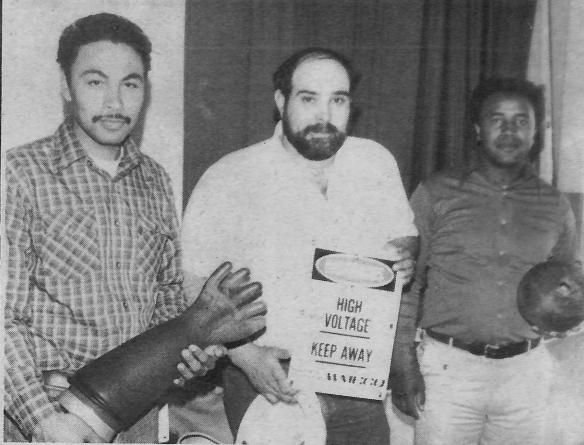
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ROBINSON PARK FIFTH GRADERS listen intently to program given by WMECO personnel on Friday, March 29th. Advertiser News photo by R.T. McMullen.

# WMECO Personnel Tell Local Kids About Danger Of Electricity

by Alexis Ferioli School Department Editor

Used properly, electricity works for man by turning machines, giving light, and spreading ideas.

lts misuse, however, is responsible for numerous deaths and serious injuries among youngsters.

Electrical safety outside the school and home was the topic of a 60-minute program presented to Robinson Park School fifth graders by three employees of the Western Mass. Electric Company Friday, March 29th.

**Precautions Explained To Students** 

WMECO linemen Lloyd Graham, Dennis Pimental, and Pedro Vega visited students and explained the duties of their job, as well as safety precautions they undertake daily, prior to working near electricity.

The linemen also emphasized the power of electricity so the students would understand the risk involved when playing in the vicinity of high-voltage wires.

Mr. Graham points out that WMECO annually presents the safety program to schools in the Greater Springfield area.

He explains that fifth grade students are offered the program, since the study of electricity is usually incorporated in that grade level's curriculum.

Moreover, surveys have shown that fifth graders are more apt to climb high trees than their younger or older counterparts.

Besides describing their job responsibilities, the linemen discussed which materials are good conductors of electricity, and those which are excellent insulators.

Utilizing this knowledge of the latter, the linemen next displayed the safety equipment which they wear as protection while on the job.

The apparel included plastic hard hats, body tool belts, pole safety straps, boot spurs, and rubber sleeves and gloves.

Pimental reports that both rubber sleeves and gloves are specially tested to withstand 20,000 volts of electricity.

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DISPLAYING SOME OF THE SAFETY EQUIPMENT which they use on the job are WMECO employees, from left - Pedro Vega, Dennis Pimental, and Lloyd Graham. The three "linemen" spoke to Robinson Park fifth graders about electrical safety outside the school and home on Friday, March 29th. Advertiser News photo by R.T. McMullen.

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#### Baypath Jr. College To Hold Health Expo

For the fourth consecutive year, Bay Path Junior College will sponsor a Channel 3 Health Expo on campus as a public service to the residents of Greater Springfield. The event will take place on Wednesday, April 17th, from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., at the College's Hatch Library, 539 Longmeadow Street

The Health Expo, co-sponsored regionally by the American Heart Association, WFSB TV, Pfizer Pharmaceuticals, WHYN Radio, and the National Health Screening Council, will provide numerous free health screenings to anyone age 18 or over.

Participants will have the opportunity to visit stations for blood pressure, height and weight, respiratory disorders, vision acuity, anemia, hearing, urinalysis, oral disease, and glaucoma. (The glaucoma station opens at noon). New this year is a station screening for body fat percentages.

In addition to providing advice on medicines in general, the Medication Information Station, staffed by a local pharmacy, will feature a "Medication Redemption Center." Participants will receive a nickel for each vial of medicine turned in.

People should bring in any medications about which they have any questions or concerns, and the pharmacist on duty will examine the medication and determine whether or not it is safe to use. Medications deemed unsafe may be traded in for five cents per con-

There will also be free on-site child care all day, free health education exhibits and literature, and free counseling and referral by registered nurses.

A member of the Bay Path languages faculty will be on hand to provide assistance to Spanish-speaking per-

The Health Expo will again offer a Full Blood Chemistry Test, covering 25 disorders, including diabetes, cholesterol, kidney and liver disorders, etc. for the minimal fee of \$10 to cover laboratory processing, and a Coronary Risk Profile Blood Test, taken in combination with the blood chemistry test, which helps to determine an individual's potential risk for heart disease. The cost of the combination test is \$15.

Students enrolled in Bay Path's Medical Assistant Program, under the supervision of faculty members, will perform many of the free health screenings.

They have served externships in area physicians' offices and medical centers, and have attended special training sessions in preparation for the Health Expo.

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He states that rubber gloves are a lineman's most important piece of equipment. He said they are virtually the only things that keep him from a life or death

Consequently, they must be tested for holes twice daily by linemen and are periodically turned into the company for voltage tests.

Other safety items displayed included rubber line hoses and blankets, which are placed over wires for protection; fiberglass grip-all sticks, used to fix transformer boxes; glass insulators, which hold wires off the pole; and testers, which tell a lineman if a wire

#### Warned About Dangers Of Tree Climbing

Pimental cautioned students not to throw rocks at glass insulators. If broken, this would result in live wires falling down upon them.

He also urged them to ask their parents to refrain from nailing tag sale signs on utility poles. An unseen nail could cause a hole in a lineman's glove, which could result in his death, he said.

Moreover, the veteran lineman warned fifth graders about climging trees near wires. He recounted the tragedy of a local youth who climbed a tree near his home on Florida Drive last spring. Upon reaching the top, he lost his balance and grabbed for an electric wire to stop his fall. Consequently, he was electrocuted.

A slide presentation, narrated by Vega, showed nemen on the job facing various hazards. It was followed by a question and answer session.

The program concluded by linemen asking students to remember the safety slogan "Stay Away - Stay Alive" when in the vicinity of electrical wires.



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BAY PATH STUDENT Denice Cleary of Fernwood Drive, Agawam (right), uses Titmus Machine to test vision acuity of Health Expo participant during last year's event, which drew over 550 area residents.

#### **Horace Smith Trustees Offer College Scholarships**

The Trustees of the Horace Smith Fund announced today the availability of undergraduate college loans for graduates of Hampden County secondary schools.

According to a bequest made by the late Horace Smith, a co-founder of Smith and Wesson, loans are made to worthy, sincere students with necessary potential whose financial resources might restrict college at-

The fund, established in 1899, is a private, non-

profit corporation.
For the current academic year, over \$270,990 in Smith Fund loans were made to 234 eligible students.

The loan applications will be available in early April. High school seniors should get them from their guidance office. College students can get applications from the Horace Smith office by calling 739-4222, between the hours of 12:30 to 4:30 p.m.

Application deadline dates are June 15th for students presently attending college, and July 1st for graduating high school seniors.

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#### Phelps School-Grade 3 Room 14 - Beth Robinson

Easter is for celebrating. A day for an egg hunt. So get to work and find those eggs. Though you must search all around, Easter is also for eating candy. Really, that's for me.

**KEVIN WILLARD** 

Easter is a happy time for everyone All around the world, Easter is great! See the children's chocolate faces. Today the Easter Buddy will come. Everyone I know of loves Easter. Ready for an Easter egg hunt.

JAMIE GAUDETTE

Everybody enjoys Easter. A colorful egg hunt. Staying in bed waiting for the Easter Bunny. Trying to find the eggs. Everybody is having fun. Receiving gifts from the Easter Bunny. DAVID WITHERS

Easter is exciting. A day for finding eggs, Soon we're going to eat the candy. Time for hiding eggs, Everybody is having fun. Rounding up all the eggs.

**GARY JOCK** 

Easter is the best time of the year. An egg hunt is my favorite part. Special people gather around. This makes my family feel happy. Everyone is joyful. Ready to eat chocolate candy.

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On Easter Day people go to different places. Some ladies are dressed in pretty laces. Our Easter baskets are fine and dandy. Now there are happy smiles on peoples' faces. NICOLE RACICOT

Extraordinary holiday.

A day for finding Easter eggs. Smiles on faces, The time to decorate eggs. Easter baskets full of candy, Rabbits are everywhere.

MIKE KNODLER

Easter is for sacrificing just like Jesus did. He sacrificed His life just so we could live. So why don't you start making some sacrifices? That may thank Jesus for what He did.

DANIEL MORIARTY

Easter is a day to find eggs. A day to be grateful. Sing songs at church. To hunt for eggs on Easter morning. Easter baskets are fun to get. Remember to color your eggs.

**BRYAN MISSION** 

Every Easter I get candy.

An Easter bunny gives kids delicious candy. Start making an Easter basket. Try to paint an egg. Easter is a fun time. Ready to go egg hunting.

**KEVIN GILLETTE** 

Easter is the time of year that brings happy smiles and lots of cheer. Colorful eggs fill my basket. Some are hidden who knows where. I even found one in my jacket. The chocolate eggs and candy that look so fine and dandy have to be divided up between my sister and me. Nine for her and nine for me.

Don't you think that's fair? On Easter I am full of

glee. Easter is the holiday I like best. It's way better than all the rest.

**RENA MARIE CHICKLAS** 

#### Room 20 - Janet Wysocki

**Eggs, Eggs, Eggs**Eggs are colorful, eggs are bright, Eggs are pretty for our delight. When Easter comes each time you see, There are plenty of eggs for you and me. When the Easter bunny comes at night, He makes such a wonderful sight. When you wake up on Easter day, It will make you want to say, Happy Easter! Have a nice day!

JEFFREY CAMPBELL

**Easter Is Special** 

Easter is a beautiful time of year. The sun shines. Spring is here. Leaves grow between the trees. My cousins come over and we play outside. We hope we'll see the Easter Bunny coming down the path. Most important of all we celebrate the day Christ rose from the dead by going to church.

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My Easter Day

On Easter my family and I go to my grandparents' house. We have ham and lots of other things to eat. My favorite thing is when we hunt for Easter eggs and chocolate bunnies.

ANTHONY MISISCHIA

**Easter Fun** 

Each of us love Easter. All the bunnies go hippity-hop. Some little bunnies put eggs in our baskets. The others play and don't stop. Easter is a fun time of year. Rain does come but never fear.

Be careful, the Easter bunny might sneak a colorful

Easter egg on you!

KATIE POULOS

What Easter Means To Me

Easter is a fun day. It is a time to celebrate and be happy. It is so much fun to hide eggs and then find them. It is nice to see trees grow and flowers bloom. Everything is so pretty and special!

AMY GRIMALDI





#### Room 16 - Eleanor Case

**Easter And Spring** 

Easter is rabbits. Easter is eggs. Spring is flowers. Spring is sun.

Spring and Easter both are fun.

JENNIE LYNN MANFREDI

Easter

On the night before Easter, my family colors their Easter eggs. In the morning, we go to church.

When we come back, we look for our Easter basket and Easter eggs. I like watching my little sister look for her Easter basket. Later on, my grandmas and grandpa come over to eat dinner. Easter is a fun time because my family gets together.

AMY STEFANO

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The Bunny And The Egg

Once there was a bunny and he had a strange egg. It was round with pink polka-dots. The bunny tried to get rid of it but somehow it always came back. He said, "I hate this egg!" But one day, right in front of the rabbit, the egg changed. It became beautiful!

JEFFREY LEONE

The Only Egg

One day I woke up in the spring. I got up and went downstairs to eat breakfast. I noticed that there was a big basket on the dining room table. I walked up to the basket, but nothing was in it. I went into the kitchen to eat breakfast. When I went over to the basket again, I saw a note attached to it. I took off the note and read it. It said, "To Kim, From the Easter Bunny."

I looked into the basket once more. I saw something at the bottom. It was a little egg. It was plain white. It didn't look too much like an Easter egg. It looked like

an ordinary egg!

Two months later I still had the egg. I woke up one day and it started to shake. Then it started to crack. I was scared! I saw that it was a little chick. It was fun having something so special.

KIMBERLY McKAY

Easter

Easter is a joyful time to be happy. Easter is the time to color Easter eggs. To me Easter is a time to look at life and see the green grass, to see robins and the flowers blooming. Easter is bunny rabbits hopping and kids being happy.

PAUL MICHAEL KISIEW:CZ

At Easter I color eggs. Every Easter I do that. I have Easter holders I put the eggs in after they are dry. Then we put them on the dining room table. It looks like a bunny patch with colorful eggs in it.

I get dresses for Easter. I get lots of candy in my Easter basket and of course most of my candy is gone after the day is through. I always run down the stairs

and get my basket.

At Easter people are happy.

Plants are pretty.

Animals are born

Trees are alive and well.

BRET PAJER

My grandmother comes over for the day and spends the night. I sneak down the stairs and put an extra basket for my grandmother. I leave a note saying, "Fill this basket for my grandmother." Then she won't get left out when we eat our candy in front of her. AMY TOZIER

A New Beginning

It's time spring appeared. The flowers are happy and starting to bloom. The air is very warm, The bees make a great big swarm. The sun is shining on the ground. The animals start to scatter around. A baby chick hatches from its egg. The little birds start to beg. The field is a great big surprise. The grass is starting to rise. Oh, how wonderful it is to see! Spring is a pretty sight to me.

KIMBERLY McKAY

Fluffy The Easter Bunny

There once was an Easter Bunny named Fluffy. Fluffy was a happy bunny because Easter was coming. Fluffy went outside with her friends. Then Fluffy's mother called, "Time to eat!" "O.K. Mom," said Fluf-

After supper Fluffy watched T.V. Then he went to bed. The next morning was Easter. Fluffy got up, ate breakfast, got dressed and brushed her teeth. Then she went to get the Easter basket for the children. Fluffy was happy. Fluffy delivered all the Easter baskets. When Fluffy got home, to her surprise, the Easter Bunny had given her an Easter basket. Long ago the first Easter Bunny was her father. He gave her the job. Fluffy was so happy. From that day on, Fluffy and her family were happy that their little girl was the second Easter

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I think Easter is fun. Last Easter I found a Cabbage Patch Kid under a chair. It was a boy. That was the best Easter I ever had.

Every Easter we go to dinner with my cousins. After that, we all go over my grandmother's house. We look for Easter eggs. But every Easter is fun.

MELISSA HODGE

#### Clark School Grade 1 - Room 7 Miss Mardeusz - Teacher

A Funny Bunny I know on Easter Bunny with fluffy ears that are so funny

He hops around on big floppy feet and brings us all a candy treat.

He colors eggs red, blue, and yellow he is a jolly old fellow.

In his basket are jellybeans l also know he wears bluejeans. GRADE 1 ROOM 7 CLASSROOM POEM

Why I Like Easter

l like Easter. Easter is fun. I like the Easter Bunny. I like the colored eggs. Rainbows come in spring after it rains. The Easter Bunny brings jellybeans and colored

NANCY CUCCOVIA

The Easter Bunny

I saw a fuzzy Easter Bunny. I save him hiding Easter eggs. Easter is fun. Spring is when baby animals are born. They are cute!

JESSICA SASSARONE

**Easter Day** 

Easter Day is a holiday. Easter is a special day. On Easter the Easter Bunny is funny. Easter Day is a good day. Animals are born on Easter

MICHAEL DOMAINQUE

The Easter Bunny

I like the fuzzy bunny and I like to find the eggs. I saw an Easter Bunny. He ran away from me. He brings eggs. I like him and he has a bow. I like coloring the eggs green.

**RICHARD CROSS** 

Easter

Easter is fun because we go hunting for eggs. I go to church. We cannot see the Easter Bunny. He is a good bunny. We go to my grandmother's house and I love

KARYN ROBBLEE

The Easter Bunny

He is so cute! He has soft fur. He hops to my house! He hides eggs at my house. When we wake up we hunt for the eggs. Then we eat the candy. I like the Easter

The Easter Bunny I saw the Easter Bunny.

He is fuzzy. He has a blue

jacket and a red tie. I like the Easter Bunny because he brings eggs.
JOSHUA SCHATZ **GLENN WEGRZYN** 

**Easter Day** 

Page 25 The little white Easter Bunny hid the eggs. I like it at the end when we crack the eggs. I would like to see

CHRISTOPHER SODERMAN

I like the Easter Bunny. He brings colored eggs. Easter is in Spring. Baby animals are born in the Spring. They are so cute! I love the Easter Bunny. Do you? **ELLIANN DICKINSON** 

**Easter Day** 

I got a Star Wars guy and eggs. I love the Easter Bun-ny. The Easter Bunny is funny. I love chocolate. I love Easter.

THEODORE GONTCZARUK

The Easter Bunny

He is cute. I like him. He is fuzzy. His jacket is yellow. His eyes are blue. His fur is white. He brings colored eggs.

JOHN PAPPAS

Easter

I like Easter. The Easter Bunny is silky feeling. The Easter Bunny is cute. He hides eggs in the bushes. I hopé that I find some!

KAMARIS LESSARD

The Easter Bunny

The Easter Bunny is nice. He brings candy to boys and girls. He has baskets of candy and chicks' eggs. I hope that Easter is a sunny day.

JUSTIN ALDRIDGE

The Easter Bunny

He hides eggs all over. He hides some in my bushes. He is soft. I like the Easter Bunny. The Easter Bunny is funny. My brother climbs the tree and sees the Easter Bunny. My brother makes the Easter Bunny laugh. My brother is funny. Wow! The bunny just laughs so hard! MICHAEL FUSICK

Easter

Easter is fun. Easter is nice. I like Easter baskets. The Easter Bunny is cute. I think that the Easter Bunny is silky. You can have candy. I love Easter.

KELLY LIARD The Easter Bunny

I like the Easter Bunny. I was surprised on Easter morning because I got a rabbit.

JUSTIN CASINGHINO

The Easter Bunny

The Easter Bunny hides eggs. The eggs are red and green. The bunny is furry. The fur is yellow and red. He makes me happy!

TONY RUSSO

**Baby Bunnies** 

Baby bunnies are soft. Baby bunnies like carrots. Baby bunnies are furry. Baby bunnies are nice. I'm surprised because I got a lot of eggs

KARLA ZAMBELLI

The Easter Bunny

Baby animals are born in the Spring. The Easter Bunny brings us eggs. He fills our baskets with jellybeans and candy. We leave the Easter Bunny carrots too!

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#### **Spring Time**

I got up before dawn yesterday. That's not as easy to do as it was just a month ago. Back in December, it was hard to stay in bed UNTIL dawn. Spring time is here: the time of rapidly lengthening daylight. Robert Louis Stevenson sympathized with children who, in spring, "have to go to bed and see/the birds still hopping

My kids have an answer for that: they simply won't go to sleep until it's dark. They lay abed, with martyred looks on their sleepy faces, then retaliate by awakening before 5, when the first, faint light begins

Civilization is a very thin veneer in preschoolers. Their animal nature is still close to the surface, so their response to the lengthening daylight of spring is direct and obvious. They are more energetic; more inventive; more exuberant; and more exhausting

Humans, and their kids, are daylight-adapted, or "diurnal" (die-yrn-el) animals. Compared with the nocturnal, night-loving creatures, we see very poorly in the dark. Many of us also feel poorly in the dark. Do you remember when we were down to just nine hours and forty minutes of sunlight a day, back in December? It was a glum, grey time.

Now I have the same "spring time fever" that's got my kids bouncing about the house. My mood is soaring along with the day length. I hadn't realized just how low I'd been, til I compare it with how "high" I am now. This is a genuine, "natural high."

We're up to twelve hours and nine minutes of sunlight, and the increase is accelerating. By the end of the week we'll have gained 20 minutes more sunshine a day. If my mood continues to rise with the sun, I'll be nearly delirious by midsummer's day, when we'll revel in 15 hours and 17 minutes of daylight.

Where is all this extra sunshine coming from? It's a crooked scheme. The Earth slowly turns this way and that in space. In our winter, the northern half of the planet leans away from the sun, cheating us of its light and warmth. Since December, it's been tilting slowly

At 11:14 on March 20th, the Earth's equator was directly opposite the sun. By the next moment, the whole planet had tilted slightly further, and the northern half was getting the better deal. Spring had officially begun that moment.

We barely notice the astronomical event, this "ver-nal equinox," but we can't help but observe the rapid changes in day length that follow. For diurnal animals, it's a joyful time of year. Easter, Passover, and the even more ancient May Day celebrations lend respectability to our acestral animal urges. As if we diurnals needed an excuse to party!

I do wonder about the nocturnal animals, though. Those whose comfort comes with night's darkness, the bats and flying squirrels, foxes and bobcats would seem to be happier with the shorter days of winter. Do they have "summer doldrums" to match humans' "winter depressions?"

I doubt it. I've got such as case of seasonal ectasy that I can't imagine any animal being displeased with lengthening daylight. How could anyone NOT enjoy

#### **Agawam Schools' Lunch Menu**

Monday, April 8th: Pizza with cheese topping, tossed garden salad with spinach greens and dressing, chilled fruit cup, milk.

Tuesday, April 9th: Hamburg in buttered i roll, cheese fingers, buttered rice, diced carrots, mustard, relish, ketchup, applesauce or million dollar cookies, milk.

Wednesday, April 10th: Steamed frankfort in roll, mustard, relish, ketchup, oven baked beans, buttered wax beans, blueberry coffee cake with icing, milk.

Thursday, April 11th: Meatballs in tomato sauce, buttered macaroni, mixed vegetables, whole wheat bread and butter, chilled pears in syrup or chocolate cake with vanilla icing,

Friday, April 12th: Apple juice, cold cut sandwich in roll with lettuce and cheese, buttered niblet corn, ice cream, milk.

All the school news each week, with us!

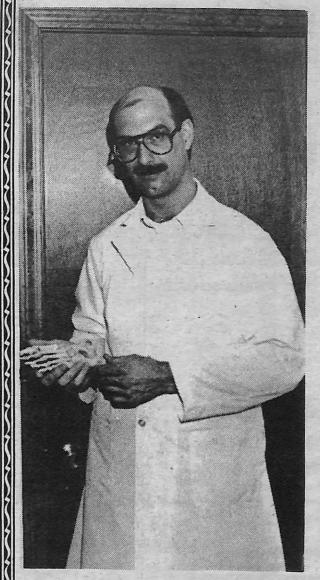
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AGAWAM HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS Tina Walsh (left) and Lynne Waryasz assist faculty member Edward McCaffery at a recent "Parents Open House" held at the school. McCaffery teaches a course in basic programming. Advertiser

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#### Middle School Enjoys **Another Successful** "Science Fair"

by Alexis Ferioli **School Department Editor** 

Sixth and seventh grade Agawam Middle School students recently showcased their creative talents as they participated in the 31st Annual Science Fair, Wednesday, March 27th.
Over 200 science-related projects adorned the

school auditorium's walls, floor, and stage.

Some of these exhibits dealt with outer space, earth

science, biology, astronomy, and general science. Science fair director Marc Costanzi points out that the purpose of the annual event is to encourage students to pursue scientific research on their own.

Students, who were allowed to work either by themselves or in pairs, had two months to design and complete their projects.

Any project which incorporated one of the sciences was eligible for entry. He notes that this year, earth science, experimental-type projects were most popular. A total of 20 winners was judged by a three-member

panel of faculty science teachers.

Judging exhibits on their originality, workmanship, accuracy, and scientific thought were Charles Condron, Everett Talmadge, and Mary Lou Squeglia.

Costanzi reports that more seventh than sixth graders participated in this year's fair, with the majority of entrants choosing to work individually.

He relates that one student even brought in a computerized robot which he programmed to walk.

The science teacher states that the exhibits entered in this year's fair were some of the finest he has seen in

School Principal Charles Corcoran echoes the directors' sentiments, saying that the students really outdid

"We not only had a greater quantity of projects this year, but they were of a superior quality. I've witnessed many fairs and this year's was definitely one of the he declares.

First place winners of the 1985 Science Fair were Meggan Martin, Michael Shea, Megan McDade, Tammy Nardi, Chris Placek, and Heidi Williams.

Second place honors were bestowed upon Tara Vivenzio and Jennifer Scaggs, Joey Marek, Shawn Pirnie, Darin Shlosser, and Michael Cook.

Winning third place honors were James Broadhurst, Jean Carrie and Dawn Mathews, Eric Shepard, Nicole Lachance and Debbie Cartello, and Debbie Albano.

Fourth place award recipients were Jim Dion, Eric Stulpin, Cathy Meredith, Michelle Elliot and Kris Turcotte, and Robert Mezzetti and Dan Harpin.

#### **Band And Colorguard Schedule Saturday Car Wash**

Has your car seen enough of this winter's grit and grime...? Let it shine for Easter by having it washed on Saturday, April 6th, at the Agawam Middle School. Agawam High band and colorguard members will be there from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., to wash your car for

The band and colorguard would also like to remind people of their Band-A-Thon pledges. There are still some pledges outstanding, and it would be great if you would mail them to: Beverly Laferriere, P.O. Box 112, Agawam Marching Mohawks Uniform Fund, Agawam, MA 01001.

The band and colorguard thank you ahead of time

Don't forget: Car wash, Saturday, April 6th, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., at the Agawam Middle School.



MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS WHO WERE first and second place in the Annual Science Fair were, back row, from left - Meggan Martin, Jennifer Scaggs, Shawn Pirnie, Joey Marek, and Michael Cook. Front row - Megan McDade, Heidi MacWilliams, Christine Placzek, Tammy Nardi, Michael Shea, Tara Vivenzio, and Darin Shlosser. Advertiser News photo by R.T.



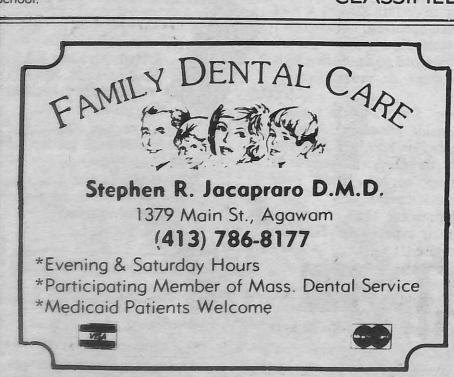
MORE MIDDLE SCHOOL science fair winners. From left - Michelle Elliott, Debbie Albano, Jean Carrie, Cara Cartello, Dawn Matthews, Christine Turcotte, Kathy Meredith, Eric Shepard, Dan Harpin, Bob Mezetti, and Jim Dion. Advertiser News photo by R.T. McMullen.

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# 70 Young Musicians Evaluated At Annual "Solo Festival"

The two afternoons of solo and ensemble performance brought nearly 70 members of the instrumental music groups together for evaluation of individual performances. The Solo Festival, organized this year by Scott Thomson, Agawam Middle School Band director, continues a tradition of some years in the Agawam Schools in offering students a chance to perform solos for rating awards.

Additional afternoon festivals will also be held in the junior high and senior high, as well as for the elementary band members.

Judges for the middle school solos were Mr. Zachary Tileston, band director at the senior high, and Tamara Watson, chorus director at the Middle School, who is also ar. accomplished instrumentalist.

Award pins in two categories were presented for both solo and small ensembles (duets, trios, etc.) These are the "superior pin" for the highest rated students, and the "excellent pin" for students just slightly below this level.

Solo pins were awarded to the following students: **7th GRADE SUPERIOR SOLO:** Meggan Martin, Jennifer Daubney, Lori Tietze, Brett Graveline, Shawn Mc-

Cormick and Debbie Bull.

6th GRADE SUPERIOR SOLO: Katie DeBonville, Amy
Hauser, Sarah Fogg and Brett Boskiewicz.

Hauser, Sarah Fogg and Brett Boskiewicz.

STRINGS: SUPERIOR SOLO: Tara Camyre, Hans
Mueller and Maura Martin.

Mueller and Maura Martin.
7th GRADE EXCELLENT SOLO: Craig Lepper,
Chuck Hoffman, Lisa Davies, Kristen Radtke, Jennifer
Campurciani, Eric Shepard, and David Pisano.

6th GRADE EXCELLENT SOLO: Chris Crowley, Matt McLean, Linda Bouchard, Melissa Lutrell, Barbara Dobise, Sarah Fogg, Samantha Spangenberg, Dana Strader and Kara Lessard.

**STRINGS: EXCELLENT SOLO:** Sean O'Brien and Daryl Brown.

Superior ensemble pins were also awarded to Meggan Martin and Lori Tietze (horn/clarinet duet), and Katie DeBonville and Sarah Fogg (flute duet). Excellent ensemble pins were awarded to Jackie Capucilli/Lisa Davies (flute/clarinet duet); Linda Bouchard/Kelley Bolduc (trumpet duet); Sandy Krieger/Ellen Paleologopoulos, Lynn Clark/Gina Vergnani, Wendy Jacobs/Kara Lessard and the Robinson Park String Trio, along with a flute trio of Sarah Fogg, Katie DeBonville and Dana Strader.

#### Elementary Musicians Observe Nat'l Week



ROBINSON PARK ELEMENTARY BAND members, under the direction of Sally Lowell (front), performed as part of the "National Music In Our Schools Week" observance on Wednesday, March 20th. School music classes all over the country performed at exactly at 1:00 p.m. (eastern standard time) to honor this important week. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



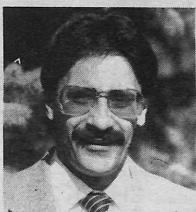
THE ELEMENTARY CHORUS at Robinson Park School, under the direction of Lee Files (left), held an open rehearsal at exactly 1:00 p.m., on Wednesday, March 20th, in observance of "National Music In Our Schools Week." Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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CAROL ROUSE of Westfield and Bruce Harvey of Wilbraham as Vinnie and Clarence Day of New York, circa 1890, are pictured in their roles in the popular play, "Life With Father". The comedy will be presented by the Encore Players April 11th, 12th, 13th,

#### **Encore Players Stage** "Life With Father"

Life With Father will be presented by the Encore Players April 11th, 12th, 13th, 19th and 20th at 8:00 p.m., at the Emmanuel Church, corner of Sumner and

White Streets, Springfield.

Directed by Dick Volker, the cast will be headed by Bruce Harvey as "Father," the titular head of the family. Carol Rouse plays Vinnie, his wife, who really steers

Other important members of the family are their four sons, played by Jonathan Duquette, Joe Rouse, Brian Taylor and Joshua Kerr. Lisa Cincotto plays the ingenue Mary and Flo Healy the good-natured Cora.

Other cast members include Dick Ross, Bob Loviolette, Ann Kertanis, Debby Geary, Mildren Mulfino, Charlotte West and Pat Geoffroy, who is also the stage manager. Ellen Rivers is the producer.

Based on the story of the same name and set in New York City in the late 1880s, Life With Father revolves around the abundant and sometimes conflicting activities of the Clarence Day household

Written by Clarence Day, Jr., the short story was adapted to the stage by Howard Lindsay an Russel Crouse, who also wrote the dialogue for The Sound of Music.

With writer Lindsay in its starring role, Life With Father played on Broadway for eight years after its November 1939 opening.

Tickets are available at the Book Rack (across the

street from the church at 758 Sumner Avenue). For further information, please call 737-0918 783-1616.

#### **Applications Accepted For Junior Women's Arts Festival**

Applications are now being accepted for the eleventh Annual Arts and Crafts Festival, sponsored by the Agawam Junior Women's Club, which is scheduled for Saturday and Sunday, June 1st and 2nd. The festival is held on Main Street, on the grounds of the Captain Charles Leonard House.

Craftspeople interested in reserving space for the show may do so by contacting festival chairwoman Barbara Shusterman, at 786-6016, or Eileen Hamre, at 789-2818, to receive an application.

#### **Hi-Lighters Dance Club Schedules Graduation Dance**

The Agawam Hi-Lighters Square Dance Club will hold a dance on Saturday, April 13th, at Valley Community Church, South Westfield Street, Feeding Hills, at 8:00 p.m.

Bob Turnbull will be the caller and Linn Case will cue the rounds. This is the club's graduation dance.



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King David: 1 STAR

This Biblical drama tells the story of one of the Old Testament's most famous heroes. Óne thousand years before the birth of Jesus Christ, a brave Jewish youth named David slew a Philistine giant and became an important soldier in the army of Saul, the first king of

But, as time went by, Saul grew jealous of David's popularity and believed that the younger man posed a threat to his rule. To save himself from Saul's wrath, the warrior left his homeland and didn't return until the king died.

Several years after the end of his self-imposed exile, David became the leader of the Israelites and, through his victories over enemy tribes, established Israel as a strong and independent nation.

King David is a far cry from religious epics such as Cecil B. Demille's The Ten Commandments. Under the lackluster direction of Bruce Beresford (Breaker Morant, Tender Mercies), the film is nothing more than a dull sequence of events; the characters have little or no depth. The dramatic impact is stymied because of

Thus, David's encounter with the Philistine giant Goliath isn't particularly exciting, and his eventual affair with a woman named Bathsheba never has any

real emotional intensity.

Another problem with *King David* is that it ultimately becomes confusing. Beresford's version of the warrior king's story is based on I and II Samuel, Chronicles, and the Psalms, and this variety of Biblical sources results in a plot that is laden with minor

Unless you're familiar with these books from the Old Testament, you'll need a scorecard to keep track of the people who walk in and out of this picture.

But, the biggest flaw in King David is Richard Gere's (The Cotton Club) portrayal of the main character. The actor brings a blandness to each of his roles, and this drab quality is especially apparent when he's working with a weak script

Since King David's screenplay doesn't give his character much of a personality in the first place, Gere comes across as a nonentity who is difficult to care for and focus our attention on.

The movie, however, is not a total failure. The costumes and set design are impressive, and Edward Woodward's (Breaker Morant) performance as King

Saul is consistently believable and interesting.

After seeing Woodward's acting, I wished the film would have focused more on the life of his character than that of Gere's David.

#### Police Academy 2: Their First Assignment: 2 STARS

Sequels are rarely superior to their predecessors, and this is especially true when their predecessors are lousy pictures to begin with. There are, however, exceptions

Last week, I reviewed Missing in Action 2: The Beginning, an action-packed B-movie which is more exciting and entertaining than the picture which preceded it. This week, we have Police Academy 2, a comedy that has more laughs and is better written than the original Police Academy.

In this sequel, a disgruntled police captain (Howard Hesseman) decides to use a group of rookie officers in an attempt to counter a crime wave which has plagued his precinct.

But, a lieutenant (Art Metrano) in the same precinct wants to be promoted to captain, so he's out to make his superior officer look bad by hampering the efforts of the rookies

Police Academy 2 isn't the kind of film that will be in the running for any Academy Award at next year's Oscars. The actors give performances which are nothing to brag about, and the picture's humor occasionally gets unnecessarily ridiculous.

Nonetheless, this comedy is still worth seeing. Director Jerry Paris, who's known primarily for his work on such television programs as *The Dick Van Dyke Show* and Happy Days, gives the movie a goofy yet appealing quality which evokes the sort of films that the Three Stooges made in their heyday.

Paris also does a good job of poking fun at people involved with law enforcement, and this effective satire makes Police Academy 2 more enjoyable than its predecessor, which was nothing but a tired retread of the Bill Murray comedy Stripes.

Return of the Jedi: 4 STARS

Luke Skywalker (Mark Hamill), Han Solo (Harrison Ford), Princess Leia (Carrie Fisher), and the rest of the Star Wars characters are back in this re-release of the third chapter of George Lucas' now-classic space

Like the two films which came before it, Return of the Jedi is a glorious adventure for moviegoers of all ages, and it's one of those rare pictures that gets better with each additional viewing.

\*THE PHILM GUIDE FOR PARENTS:

King David: Rated PG-13, but its graphic violence and some explicit nudity should have earned it an R

Police Academy 2: Rated PG-13 for brief nudity and some mature humor and dialogue.

Return of the Jedi: Rated PG for mild violence.

## HAPPY EASTER from arts editor Phil Benoit



#### Last Week's Solution...

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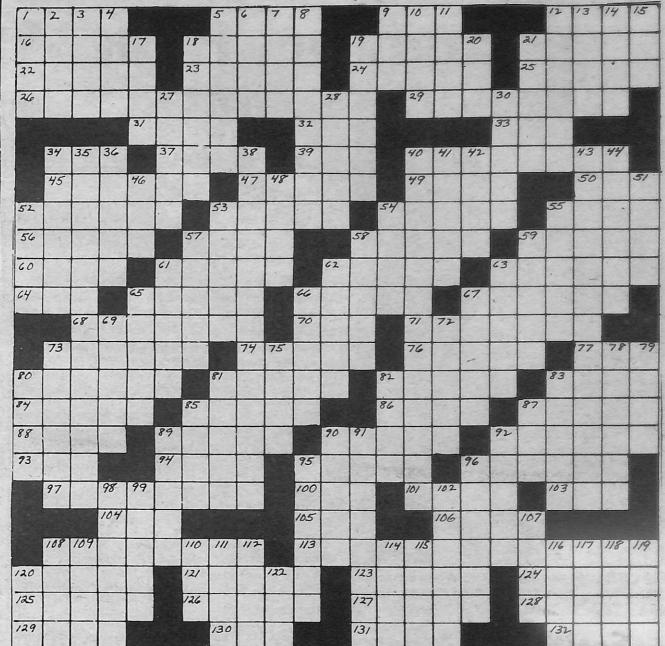
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# Agawam High 1985 SPRING SPORTS PREVIEW



CLASS OF 1985 members of the Agawam High varsity baseball team are, back row, from left - Bob Wing, Rick Stacey, Paul Ferraro, and Todd Connery. Front row - Ed Mutti, Tony Kunasek, Scott Zielinski, and Ron Viens. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



17-YEAR AGAWAM HIGH varsity baseball coach Jerry Smith feels his 1985 Brownies are ready and able to challenge for the Valley Wheel title. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

# Smith Says Brownies' Nine Bonafide Contender

by Judith Kelliher **Advertiser News Sports Editor** 

The Agawam High baseball team lost almost its entire ballclub due to graduation this year, but 17-year coach Jerry Smith isn't worried. He's got four experienced pitchers back. To him, this fact will key their

Smith has some catching up to do this year. With last year's all-senior lineup, expectations were high but they finished a roller coaster season at a disappointing 10-10. In the past several years, the baseball program has been so-so after experiencing great success throughout the 1970's and early 1980's.

There are some big shoes to fill this year with the likes of infielders Ron Wieners, Jay Mercadante, Blair Massoia, and Rocky Bush; and outfielders Mike Shayda, Brian Long, and Billy Groom all lost to graduation. The only returning starter is senior shortstop Bob

On the bright side is an all-senior pitching staff of Ron Viens, who won 7 of the Brownies' 10 wins a year

ago; and Tony Kunasek, Rick Stacey, and John Bubar. Two hurlers up from the junior varsity ranks, seniors Mike Chausse and Paul Scoville, should further bolster

With what appears to be a strong nucleus of pitching back, Smith is looking to surpass last year's record and was even so bold to say his club may annex the Valley Wheel title in 1985.

"I think that good pitching is the majority of a team's success. And with the talent and experience we have coming back in this area, our outlook is very good," he says.

"We also have a few players who are looking strong in the hitting area. If anything, defense may be our

While the team is young, the majority of these players enjoyed success at the JV level. Most of them also played American Legion baseball last summer.

The Agawam nine have taken advantage of the recent spring-like conditions and have been playing outside at the Phelps School field. While they've had no exhibition tilts vs. other schools, they have had several inter-squad games. \*\*\*\*\*\*\*

At presstime, here's how the Brownies' lineup shapes up: 1st base - Bob Altobelli (Soph) and Ed Mutti (Sr.); 2nd base - Pete Saracino (Jr.) and Bob Barbarini (Jr.); 3rd base - Scott Zielinski (Sr.); Shortstop - Bob Wing, playing behind him is Tony Ingham (Jr.); and catcher - Tony Moccio (Jr.) and Pete Sibilia (Jr.).
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CLASS OF 1985 MEMBERS of the Agawam High girls' varsity softball team are, from left -Kim Cascio, Shelly Gingras, Kathy Przeszlo, Darlene Vignato, and Gina Letellier. Missing is Leah Negrucci. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



NAMED AS captains by girls' softball coach Cindy Grieve (center) are Shelly Gingras (right) and Darlene Vignato (left). Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

#### Brownie Girls Go "Back To Basics" For Softball Wars

by Judith Kelliher **Advertiser News Sports Editor** 

It's "back to basics" time for the Agawam High girls' softball team as they embark on their 1985 campaign. Young and inexperienced best describes the locals this year.

But, according to first-year coach Cindy Grieve, "Don't count us out." Miss Grieve is hopeful that by mid-season, improved skills and fundamentals will make them a viable Valley Wheel contender.

Graduation zapped some of the team's experience. Last year, the Brownies were 7-11 even with seasoned players. Missing from the 1985 lineup are graduates Maria Ollari, Gina Frasco, Debbie Morai, and Lena Kosloski.

There are a handful of returnees back on the diamond for the Brownies this spring, but for the most part, it will be a learning process for many of the girls.

"We've been practicing for about two weeks, but have concentrated on the fundamentals. It's probably put us behind in terms of other teams, but I'm hopeful that by mid-season, our fundamentals will be good," offered Miss Grieve.

"We're progressing, but we're not going as fast." Topping the list of veterans is senior hurler Darlene Vignato, who has a no-hitter to her credit from last season. Miss Grieve is high on both Vignato's throwing ability and her "hungry and aggressive attitude."

"Darlene is looking very good at this point. The experience she gained from last season has helped her tremendously," said Miss Grieve. "Darlene wants to do well this season. Her attitude and smarts as a pitcher should help the team out.

Vignato will be joined in the infield by seniors Leah Negrucci (2nd base), Shelly Gingras (3rd base), and Kathy Przeszlo (catcher). Rounding out the players with some game-time under their belts will be outfielders Gina Letellier (Sr.) and Cathy Landry (Jr.).

Coming under the promising newcomers' category are players up from the junior varsity ranks. They inude Lisa Waniewski (Jr.), Lisa Caron (Jr.), Sharon O'Keefe (Jr.), Liz Carrie (Jr.), and Sue Girard (Soph). Potential outfielders include Kim Cascio (Sr.), Gina Serra (Jr.), Cari Brown (Jr.), and Trish Landry (Soph.).

The Brownies' 20-game schedule, which gets underway at presstime on Thursday, April 4th, at Chicopee Comp, features some top competition in the Valley Wheel.

According to Miss Grieve, Chicopee, Amherst, and Cathedral look like the teams to beat this season.

The locals were scheduled to play a scrimmage vs. Southwick High earlier in the week (weather permitting). They did have the opportunity to meet the JV's in exhibition game. Miss Grieve was pleased with what she saw.

COACH: Cindy Grieve: First year
LAST YEAR'S RECORD: 7-11
RETURNING PLAYERS: Leah Negrucci, Shelly
Gingras, Darlene Vignato, Kathy Przeszlo, Gina Letellier, and Cathy Landry.
PROMISING NEWCOMERS: Kim Cascio, Lisa Waniewski, Lisa Caron, Gina Serra, Cari Brown, Sharon O'Keefe, Liz Carrie, Sue Girard, and Trish Landry.
STRENGTHS: Pitching, depth appears adequate WEAKNESS: Inexperience at many positions, causing question marks at the plate and in the field **OUTLOOK:** Fair

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Also at presstime, Smith was unsure who the starting lineup outfielders would be. He does have five players vying for the three spots. They are seniors Paul Ferraro, Tom Murphy, and Todd Connery, and juniors Tim Sheehan and Mickey Lunden.

While the Brownies lost the abundance of their hitting strength because of graduation, Wing did hit over .300 a year ago, and Smith forsees Altobelli, Mutti, and Ferraro all having good slugging ability at the

Altobelli, incidentally, may be nicknamed "The Bull" before the year is over because of his ability to slam the long ball (a junior Greg Luzinski).

"We've got some kids that look strong and have potential to be consistent hitters. But, most will have to

first get used to facing varsity pitching," Smith said. Agawam's 20-game schedule is filled with any number of competitive teams, but Smith believes that Minnechaug Regional, who is having an outstanding sports year through most of their teams, and Longmeadow (also having a banner interscholastic year), will be the toughest.

The Brownies also face teams such as Westfield, Cathedral, West Springfield, Springfield Tech, Amherst, Ludlow, and South Hadley.

Agawam's seasonal opener is Thursday, April 11th at Westfield High.

COACH: Jerry Smith, 17th year. LAST YEAR'S RECORD: 10-10

RETURNING PLAYERS: Ron Viens, Tony Kunasek, John Bubar, Rick Stacey, and Bob Wing.

PROMISING NEWCOMERS: Bob Altobelli, Ed Mutti, Pete Saracino, Bob Barbarini, Scott Zielinski, Tony Ingham, Tony Moccio, Pete Sibilia, Paul Ferraro, Tim Sheehan, Todd Connery, Tom Murphy, and Micky Lunden.

STRENGTHS: Pitching looks sound going into season; hitting also can be a strong card.

WEAKNESS: Defense, inexperience at many positions. **OUTLOOK:** Good

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#### Oberle Leads Netmen As Brownies Look To Big Season On Courts

by Judith Kelliher Advertiser News Sports Editor

Things are looking lofty for the Agawam High boys' tennis team. After last season's sub-.500 rebuilding year (7-9), experience and improved talent should pay high dividends for the Brownies in 1985.

The Brownie netmen are under the direction of Rick Hayden, an enthusiastic and optimistic first-year coach. He replaces veteran coach Dick Cowles, who was recently named as the new varsity soccer coach.

Eleven players came out for the squad when try-outs began almost three weeks ago.

The best news for AHS is that senior Steve Oberle, their number one singles player for the past two years, is back and stronger than ever. Oberle finished 12-5 last year and Hayden has many hopes for him.

"Steve has gained a lot of experience in the last two years and his skills are very good. He's already felt the pressure of playing number one, so hopefully, that won't be a problem for him," Hayden observed. "We can only hope that he improves from last season."

Right behind Oberle is junior Mike Jemiolo, who replaces the scrappy and talented Mike Sardella (graduated) in the number two singles spot. Jemiolo played number three singles last year.

Rounding out the singles department is a pleasant surprise for Hayden - freshman Chris Ollari, a talented football and basketball player for the junior high, now has turned his athletic skills to the courts.

Hayden is counting on Jemiolo's experience and Ollari's raw talent to make the Brownies a formidable force in singles play.

The number one doubles spot is taken by last season's number two doubles team of Jeff Dietchler and Bob Coelln. This tandem really improved last season and should be much better in 1985.

The number two doubles team remains a question mark, according to Hayden. He has four players to work with in this area.

One potential number two team is junior John Kovalsky and sophomore Jim Puhala. The other possibility is junior Curtis Wu and newcomer Todd Couture (Soph).

"Number two doubles may be our weak area, only because whoever I put there won't have played together competitively," noted Hayden.

together competitively," noted Hayden.

There are three goals that the Brownies are living by this season, according to Hayden. One is to improve any weaknesses in their games; enjoy themselves; and to qualify for the Western Mass. tournament.

"I've found these kids to be really hard working. They really want to do well. If we concentrate on those three goals, we should have a very good season," he

The Brownies, competing in Division B, open the season with a home match vs. Palmer High on Thursday, April 11th. Their 16-game schedule includes tough competitors in Holyoke and East Longmeadow. COACH: Rick Hayden, first year.

LAST YEAR'S RECORD: 7-9
RETURNING PLAYERS: Steve Oberle, Mike Jemiolo,
Jeff Dietschler, Bob Coelln, John Kovalsky, Jim Puhala,
and Curtis Wu.
PROMISING NEWCOMERS: Chris Ollari, Todd

Couture.

STRENGTH: Oberle as the number one singles player; two and three singles look good as well;

number one doubles.
WEAKNESS: Number two doubles
OUTLOOK: Good to Very Good

ALL The Local Sports...

## Depth May Trouble Young & Brownie Track

by Judith Kelliher
Advertiser News Sports Editor

"We've got a good man in every event, but the question is whether we have the depth to help carry the load," was how veteran Agawam High boys' track coach Maurice "Gus" Young summed-up his team's chances for success in the 1985 season.

Coming off last year's 5-3 record in the Valley Wheel, the Brownies have 35 tracksters for the new spring season. However, almost half of these are freshmen. Their 10-meet schedule begins on Wednesday, April 10th, vs. Classical, at home.

As Young stated, potential first place finishers are many on the squad, but it's the accumulation of second and third place finishes, in addition to firsts, that molds a track team into a winner.

Young should know. AHS is a recognized and bonafide track power in the Pioneer Valley, having won a Division I and Division II championship since 1979. And don't discount this winning attitude coming into play. Young is a winner all the way.

The locals did lose some very talented trackmen to graduation. Several others decided not to return due to other committments.

Graduates include Division I high jump champ Dean Leclerc, Mike Tessicini (100-yard dash), Jim Wright (mile), Eric Lunden (shot put), and Guy Jediny (halfmile).

Young said the team will miss the talent and experience of Mike Karam (low hurdles), along with Jeff and Steve Wands (both 220-yard specialists). All three decided not to return.

What the local tracksters do have are several key performers in both the running and field events. Topping the list is senior Dave Bartnik, whose versatility will be displayed in the triple jump, high jump, and high

Other experienced returnées are sophomore Jon Corso (mile), sophomore Todd Jediny (440-yard dash), Vin Cardiropoli (100 and 220), senior Mike Lemay (two-mile), Jeff Hastings (pole vault), and senior strongman Al Ingham (shot put).

The large freshmen contingent features some potential in the field events, including Scott Bovat and Jeff Reece (shot and javelin); Joe Kosinki (high hurdles); Matt Lawrence (pole vault); and Steve Yager (shot). The relay team were not set at presstime.

The Springfield City schools are traditionally strong in track and field (Cathedral, Classical, and Putnam), but the locals may also face some stiff competition from Minnechaug Regional (always a thorn in Agawam's side) and West Springfield.

"It's hard to tell at this point what the competition will be like. But I think our chances are good if some of the younger kids can add depth for us," said Young.

COACH: Gus Young, 13th year.

LAST YEAR'S RECORD: 5-3

RETURNERS: Dave Bartnik, Dave Allen, Vin Cardiropoli, Nick Carra, Jon Corso, Nick Paquette, Todd Jediny, Kevin Long, Chris Noll, Bob Allen, Mike Lemay, Jeff Hastings, Al Ingham, and Gary Cerpovitz. PROMISING NEWCOMERS: Joe Kosinski, Joe Beavis, Matt Lawrence, Scott Bovat, Jeff Reece, Jeff Peterson, John Sonsini, Steve Hershowitz, and Steve Yager. STRENGTHS: Very fine talent in many events; winning

WEAKNESS: Depth may be a big problem.
OUTLOOK: Good

#### Leal, James, & Leal Make AHS Golf Tough

by Judith Kelliher
Advertiser News Sports Editor

Agawam High's fourth-year golf coach Paul Bachini is smiling at the thought of the coming season.

And why not? He has his top three golfers back and all three qualified for the Western Mass. Tournament in 1984. In addition, Bachini has four others ready to fill the remaining three positions.

Moreover, the Brownies have five freshmen out for the team this year. Although their status as every-day varsity competitors remains a question mark, it does bode well for the future of AHS golf. He is joined by number three Bob James, another Western Mass. qualifier. Both Leal and James just missed from qualifying for the state tournament a year ago.

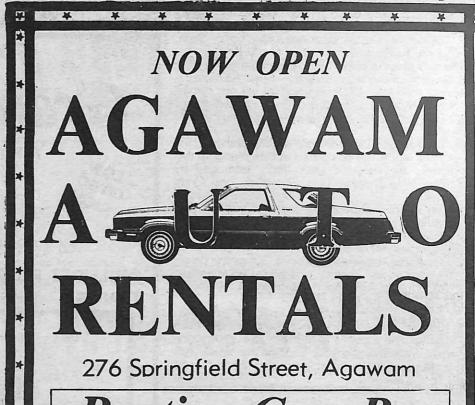
There is more good news for AHS as the team's number two golfer, Wayne Leal, a junior, (Ricky's brother), is back and hungry. This Leal got red-hot at the end of the 1984 campaign and tied for second place at the Western Mass. Tournament.

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While the 1984 team finished 4-7, there were several outstanding individual performers who hope to improve over last season's successes.

"We are definitely capable of a much improved season," understated Bachini. "I'm very confident with the top three golfers. What we need is consistency in the next three positions in order to do well. With the depth we appear to have, I think we'll do just fine."

Topping the list of returnees is senior Ricky Leal, the team's number one linkster. Leal, who has qualified for the Western Mass. Tournament as a freshman, sophomore, and junior, appears primed for a big season.



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OFFICERS OF THE AGAWAM HIGH SCHOOL Baseball Booster Club have scheduled a meeting for Tuesday, April 9th, and urge all those interested in the school's baseball program to attend. This year's officers are, from left - Sue Viens, president; Janice Moccio, treasurer; Lou Kunasek, secretary; and Carol Wing, vice-president. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

### **AHS Girls Hope To Repeat 1984 Heroics**

by Judith Kelliher **Advertiser News Sports Editor** 

It may be difficult for the Agawam High girls' tennis team to top last year's accomplishments, to be quite frank about the 1985 season.

The AHS gals were finalists in the Division B Western Mass. Tournament and tied for second place in the league (9-5 overall).

But, eight-year coach Mary Wolochowicz has three of her top players back. Although all three are still young, they gained much experience and confidence during last year's so-called "rebuilding year." Returning in 1985 are a trio of underclass players

who were instrumental in the success of a year ago for AHS. Taking the singles spots are junior Cindy Slate, and sophomore Kathy Jemiolo and Cindy Roy.

The girls playing singles this season are going to be the mainstays of the team since they have the most experience," said Miss Wolochowicz. "If we get consistent play from these three girls and the doubles teams improve as the season progresses, then we should do very well.

While the singles positions are well established, the two doubles teams are comprised of new blood. In this department, the Brownie were badly damaged by graduation (Mia Brophy, Lisa Chevalier, and Carol Gasorowski).

Doubles teams prospects are seniors Chris Kosinski and Jennifer Crean, along with Sue Bulson (frosh) and Barb Garrity (Jr).

The Brownies will be competing in Division B, which features consistent powers Chicopee Comp, the defending Western Mass. champ, and East Longmeadow. Miss Wolochowicz feels that this season the top spot in

the league "is up for grabs."

The locals' 14-game schedule opens Wednesday,
April 10th, at Minnechaug. Since the gals have been able to utilize the school's Mill Street courts for nearly two weeks, Miss Wolochowicz feels the pre-season has been productive in terms of preparing them for the opener next week.

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Cichetti, and Mike Malinoski.

PROMISING NEWCOMERS: Chris Kosinski, Jennifer

STRENGTHS: Top three golfers are very good and very STRENGTHS: Singles. WEAKNESS: Inexperienced doubles teams OUTLOOK: Good.

**Baseball Booster Club Meets** To Prepare Spring Schedule

On Tuesday evening, April 9th, the Agawam High School Baseball Booster Club will meet in the teachers' cafeteria in the high school to prepare their spring schedule. The boosters welcome you to come out and make your suggestions known for a successful year.

Plans are underway for the Annual Car Wash on April 27th, at the middle school parking lot, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

This is only the beginning. The boosters are looking for new faces and great ideas to make the 1985 baseball season the best ever.

Come out Tuesday night and throw the first pitch!!!

#### BROWNIES' GOLF - From Page 33...

By virtue of this superb performance, he qualified for the state tournament, one of only nine schoolboy golfers from the entire Western Mass. area. At the states this Leal finished among the top 30 as a sophomore.

With this strength in the top three, the Brownies need to solidify the next group of competitors. Hoping to do this are seniors Greg Larouche and Tony Orefice, junior Tony Cichetti, and sophomore Mike Malinoski.

"We need the depth at the four, five, and six positions," offered Bachini. "The kids have been working hard and practicing very well. We've got almost three weeks until our first match to work on area's that we need to improve on.

At presstime, the locals had practiced twice at St. Anne's Country Club in Feeding Hills.

Agawam's 12-match schedule beings with three difficult opponents, including the seasonal opener at Longmeadow (defending Valley Wheel co-champs), Monday, April 22nd.

Bachini notes that it is an advantage to get the tough matches right away. "We'll know right where we stand early-on," he said.

COACH: Paul Bachini, 4th year.

LAST YEAR'S RECORD: 4-7; three players qualified for Western Mass. Tournament, one qualified for state

RETURNERS: Ricky Leal, Wayne Leal, Bob James, and Greg Larouche.
PROMISING NEWCOMERS: Tony Orefice, Tony
Cichetti, and Mike Malinoski.

experienced.

WEAKNESS: Lower three positions inexperienced and remain question marks. OUTLOOK: Very Good.











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#### In Tri-Parish Bowling, St. Louis Remains As Frontrunner

For the fourth consecutive week in Round Three of the Monday Night Tri-Parish Bowling League, St. Louis (16½ wins), the Round Two winners, lead the pack. In second place is Boston College (15 wins), and in third place is surprising Georgetown (13 wins)

St. Lou grabbed three key wins from St. Michael (5th place-11½ wins) in an important matchup. Winning for St. Lou right off the bat was JOHN MLINEK (290), and then teammate RENEE JURY fired a 303 to stop

JANICE MOCCIO (293)

The fine St. Lou rolling continued when FELIX PEP-PER hit a 301. Then, in a grudge match all the way, captain DEBBIE POIRIER outdistanced a nervous and embarassed St. Mike's captain, MIKE O'CONNELL, 335-315. St. Mike's were fortunate to even take a single victory in this match.

Boston College sent Holy Cross packing for the cellar once again (12th place-4½ wins), in a three wins to one night. BC substitute SUE AMABILE, subbing for vacationing DORIS KRZYKOWSKi, hit a 309 to completely bomb substitute NELLIE SPARROW, 309-270. Another substitute, TOM BURR of HC, then got a few pins back with a 325-309 win over MIKE O'CONNELL JR. Another big victory for BC came when the former Agawam High football star, PAUL DEZIELLE, launched a 322 at a completely overwhelmed and exasperated JOE CALABRAIS (270).
In a fierce battle, BC captain BOBBY MOCCIO, the

league's best roller, hit a 368 to just nip substitute captain STEVE ROVITHIS (354). Steve is pinch-hitting for JOHN "The Braggard" CHEKOVSKY, who is vacation-

ing in sunny California.

A rising Georgetown team, seeking to regain all that lost magic from several years ago, bombed Catholic University (9th place-7 wins), three wins to one. Despite a devastating 343 pinfall by CU's big bruiser, RAY BARBIERI, the rest of the team faltered.

For G-Town, SANDY PRZESZLO (295) and captain AL "The Fearsome One" MOCCIO (328) were the shining lights. Moccio totally smothered a confused and battered JIM SNYDER (270).

Last year's grand champions, St. Anselm (4th place-12 wins) moved back into contention by clobbering Notre Dame (10th place-6 wins). For St. A's, VENETTA SNYDER (287), son RICH SNYDER (284), and VI MASSOIA (318) were all winners. ND substitute captain BILLY COLSON (318), tied VI in their battle,

but in the end, the sweep couldn't be stopped.

Fordham (6th place-10½ wins) got things back on track with a three-and-a-half to one-half games victory over Loyola (8th place-10 wins). DANA MARQUIS was one bright light for Loyola with a 300. Then, STELLA BARBIERI (275) and STEVE DEVANEY (323) took over and proved they could win with captain ANN O'CON-NELL on the sidelines, Ann didn't get a substitute, but Loyola captain EDDIE ANDERSON floundered with a

Villanova, the Round One winners, took three wins from St. Mary (11th place-5 wins). Leading the way for Villanova were KEITH RESCIGNO (255), jewelry expert RON HAMEL with a big night (301), substitute JIM MCNAMEE (for ERNIE BLAIR) hit a 302, and captain FRANK "The Lordly Barber" RESCIGNO had a 313.

Frankie was defeated by St. Mary's captain FRED MORASSI (350), but Fred really needed to demolish Frankie to pull this one out of the fire for his team. Frank and Ron Hamel were both happy after this match as they are keeping their fingers crossed about the May championship playoffs.

Villanova, you see, has looked anything like a win-

ner since they stole the Round One title.

#### Riverside Speedway To Keep Same "Pay-off" Policy

Gene Murphy and Riverside Park Speedway management have announced that the speedway will maintain the same policy in pay-off for 1985 as the speedway had used in 1984.

The "Pay-Off Plan" will begin at the season opener on Saturday, April 6th, with the Nascar Modifieds and

All competitors will receive their earnings in the mail, with the checks being made out by the Riverside accounting department on Monday morning.

Traditionally, the pay-offs were made several hours after the races. For insurance reasons and for safety, the speedway was forced to make this important SEE SPEEDWAY POLICY - Page 36...

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Sportsman's Corner By Bill Chiba

#### Banquet Awesome!

The recent 25th Annual Banquet of the Hampden County Council of Sportsmen's Clubs was a huge success. Over 200 sportsmen and women gathered at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Indian Orchard and enjoyed a meal that was just excellent from the fruit cup to the last cup of coffee.

Dignitaries in attendance included State Representative Paul Caron, who is mainly responsible for the upgrading of boat right-a-ways at Five Mile Pond and

fishing. The sportsmen owe a great deal to this fine

Lake Lorraine in Springfield. He also has opened up Water Shops Pond to boat

Also, Walter Bickford, director of the Department of Natural Resources in Massachusetts, attended. Again the sportsmen in Massachusetts are fortunate to have such a dedicated man to the outdoors as a true friend. He has been very helpful in settling serious problems

faced by the sporting fraternity these past two years. Richard Cronin, director of the Division of Fisheries and Wildlife, was full of information about the division and received a warm welcome from the group. Dick has been a supporter of the sportsmen for many years.

District manager of the Connecticut Valley District, Herm Covey, covered the stocking program of his district and stressed the large trout stocked to the quantity of fish let loose in the ponds and streams this

Last, but not least, was Larry Fountain, member of the seven-member board that oversees the Division of Fisheries and Wildlife, and the non-species agency, was honored and plauded by Bickford and George Pooler, president of the Hampden County of Sport-smen's Clubs, for his efforts on behalf of the sport-

Larry has made himself available to the sportsmen for questions and advice since his appointment to the board. The last board member that was as close to the

sportsmen as Larry was Jim Cesan from Feeding Hills. Pooler, president of the council, was honored by the sportsmen of the council by being selected "Sportsman of the Year." Don McCave of Agawam made the award. Caron presented the hard-working George with a certificate of appreciation from the House of Representatives, and a second certificate applauding George for his untiring efforts and many hours dealing with the sportsmen issues, from Governor Michael Dukakis. The sportsmen of Hampden County have come into their rightful place and garnered (by their own efforts), the prestige due them. The leadership of the council is outstanding.

Hotline In

The Hampden County Council has established a hotline for Western Massachusetts that is available to the public and sportsmen. Dial 736-7490 and you can obtain the latest information pertaining to the sportsmen and the outdoors.

The data is forthcoming from the state house on the latest bills filed concerning the outdoors and on bills

that are to be heard in the near future.

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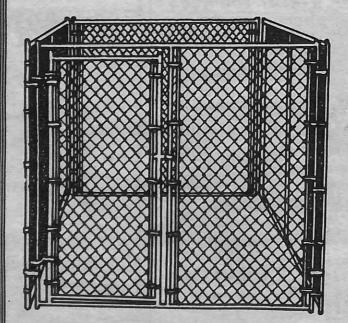
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#### **AHS Wrestlers Feted At Awards Banquet**



THE AGAWAM HIGH SCHOOL Wrestling Booster Club held its Annual Awards Banquet for members of the school's very successful varsity and junior varsity wrestling teams. The banquet was held on Sunday, March 31st, at Crestview Country Club in Agawam. The varsity was the Division I runners-up, while the JV went undefeated. Pictured, from left, are Ken Butt, co-captain; Phil Tomkiel, head coach; Gary Geiger, assistant coach; and Al Ingham.

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CLASS OF 1985 members of the Agawam High varsity wrestling team, with coach Phil Tomkiel. From left - Owen Humphries, Mike Daponde, Kenn Butt, Tomkiel, Pat Tangredi, Nick DiTomaso, and Al Ingham. Advertiser News photo by

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#### 4th Dave Furioni 50 At Riverside April 13th

On Saturday, April 13th, the management of the Riverside Park Speedway, in association with Leisure Time Canvas, will host the Fourth Annual Dave Furioni Memorial Modified 50. This special night of competition will be dedicated to the memory of the late Dave Furioni, who lost his life while competing in Nascar Modified competition on April 24th, 1982, at Riverside Park Speedway.

The special night of competition will be presented by the many friends and associate of Dave Furioni. In addition, several local businesses have joined in for the presentations of this event. Jerry Vogal of Leisure Time Canvas, Agawam (across from Riverside), will post \$250 in bonus money to be distributed to the competitors and winners of each and every qualifying heat rounds. Leisure Time Canvas manufactures competition car covers, repairs all your canvas needs, custom boat and stadium seats, as well as camping needs and parts.

Furioni's Memorial is scheduled to begin at 12:00 noon, with a pre-race practice for the Nascar Modifieds and the Pro Stocks. The mainstand will open at 5:00 p.m., with racing scheduled for 7:00 p.m. Admission will be just \$5.95 for adults and 95 cents for children 8 and under. Pit fees are just \$5 for Nascar members (two free "ladies' passes" with each car). For additional information, call 413-786-9300.

Dave Furioni was a rare and unique man in that he combined such strength and ruggedness with an equal amount of gentleness when necessary. He gave racing his all. Even though he did not have a list of championships or wins, he was highly respected as a local figure dedicated to the sport he loved.

Riverside Speedway asks you to join them for this deserving tribute to Dave Furioni. Riverside Park Speedway will campaign each and every Saturday night with the Nascar Modifieds and Pro Stocks and Streets, on an alternate basis, until June 8th.

For a free schedule and more write: Riverside Park Speedway, Box 307, Agawam, MA, 01001, Attention Gina.

#### SPEEDWAY POLICY - From Page 35...

Murphy stated, "I realize that change is always tough to adjust to, but it was something that had to be done." There will also be a new policy for sign-in registration for the comeptitors.

The new policy is a special, mandatory inspection and information card that contains the owner and driver's complete mailing address and emergency information. This same card will also have the official pit notes on the inspection and safety of the cars.

These are just two of the many new ideas that Riverside management will be putting into effect to try and speed up the race program, and give the program a more polished appearance.

Riverside opens its season with the Nascar Modifieds and the Streets on Saturday, April 6th The program will draw the nation's leading Modified

drivers like Mike Stefanik, Richie Evans, Ray Miller, Stan Greger, Jim Spencer, Mike McHaughlin, and more.

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#### Park & Rec. Dept. Lists **Variety Of Programs** For Spring Fun

**WOMEN'S EXERCISE AND SWIM:** 

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SESSION: April 8th to June 3rd (8 weeks). No program May 27th.

TIME: Mondays, 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. LOCATION: Agawam Junior High School Gym "A." REGISTRATION: Parks and Recreation Office. **REGISTRATION FEE:** \$15 per person. No refunds. INSTRUCTOR: Willie Fortini.
WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL AND SWIM:

This program offers informal recreational volleyball and a free swim

SESSION: April 8th to June 3rd (8 weeks). No program May 27th.

**TIME:** Mondays, 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. LOCATION: Agawam Junior High School Gym "B."

**REGISTRATION:** Parks and Recreation Office. **REGISTRATION FEE:** \$15 per person. No refunds. INSTRUCTOR: Willie Fortini

DANCE AEROBICS AND SWIM:

This program is a blend of exercise and dance. It firms and tones the body, exercises the heart and lungs, promotes flexibility, develops rhythm and is pure and simple fun.

SESSION: April 8th to June 3rd (8 weeks). No pro-

gram May 27th.

TIME: Mondays, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. LOCATION: Agawam Junior High School Gym. REGISTRATION: Parks and Recreation Office. **REGISTRATION FEE:** \$20 per person. No refunds.

INSTRUCTOR: Debbie Tracy and staff. **RECREATIONAL SWIM SCHEDULE:** 

The pool at the Agawam Junior High School will be open to the public for general swim. It is recommended that you leave NO VALUABLES in the locker room or the pool area. Life guards will be on duty at all times. The pool is open to both youths and adults.

SESSION: April 1st to June 3rd. No program April

15th and May 27th.

TIME: Mondays, 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

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TIME: Tuesdays/Thursdays, 6:00 to 10:00 p.m. LOCATION: Agawam Junior High School Pool. **REGISTRATION:** Parks and Recreation Office. **REGISTRATION FEE:** \$80 per person INSTRUCTOR: Carl Grzebien and P.A.D.I. staff.

#### YOUTH INSTRUCTIONAL WRESTLING PROGRAM

**SESSION:** April 10th to May 29th (8 weeks). **TIME:** Wednesdays, 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

LOCATION: Agawam Middle School Small Gym. Enter right front door

**REGISTRATION:** Parks and Recreation Office hours

9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. **REGISTRATION FEE:** \$10 per student. No refunds.

INSTRUCTOR: Gary Geiger and staff.

This instructional wrestling program is new. The basics in wrestling will be taught by Gary Geiger, J.V. coach at the high school. It is open to Agawam youths in grades 6, 7, 8, or 9. There will be a limit of 30 students. Registrations will be on a first come basis. OLDIES SOFTBALL LEAGUE:

The "Oldies" 40 and over softball league held its first organizational meeting Monday evening, March 11th. All four teams from last year's league were

Any person or teams interested in joining this Sunday morning league are requested to call the Parks and Recreation Office at 786-0440 extensi League Commissioner Vito Depalo at 732-0809.

All games will be played on Sunday morning at the high school beginning on May 12th. League directors are Phil Vecchiarelli, Dave Cleavall, Dick DiLullo, and George Noonan.

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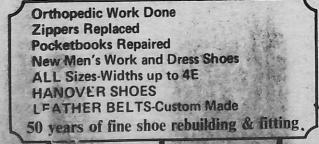
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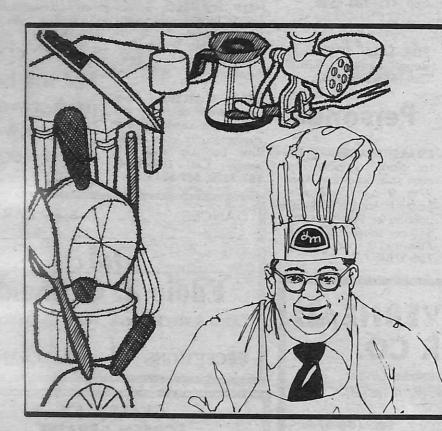
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